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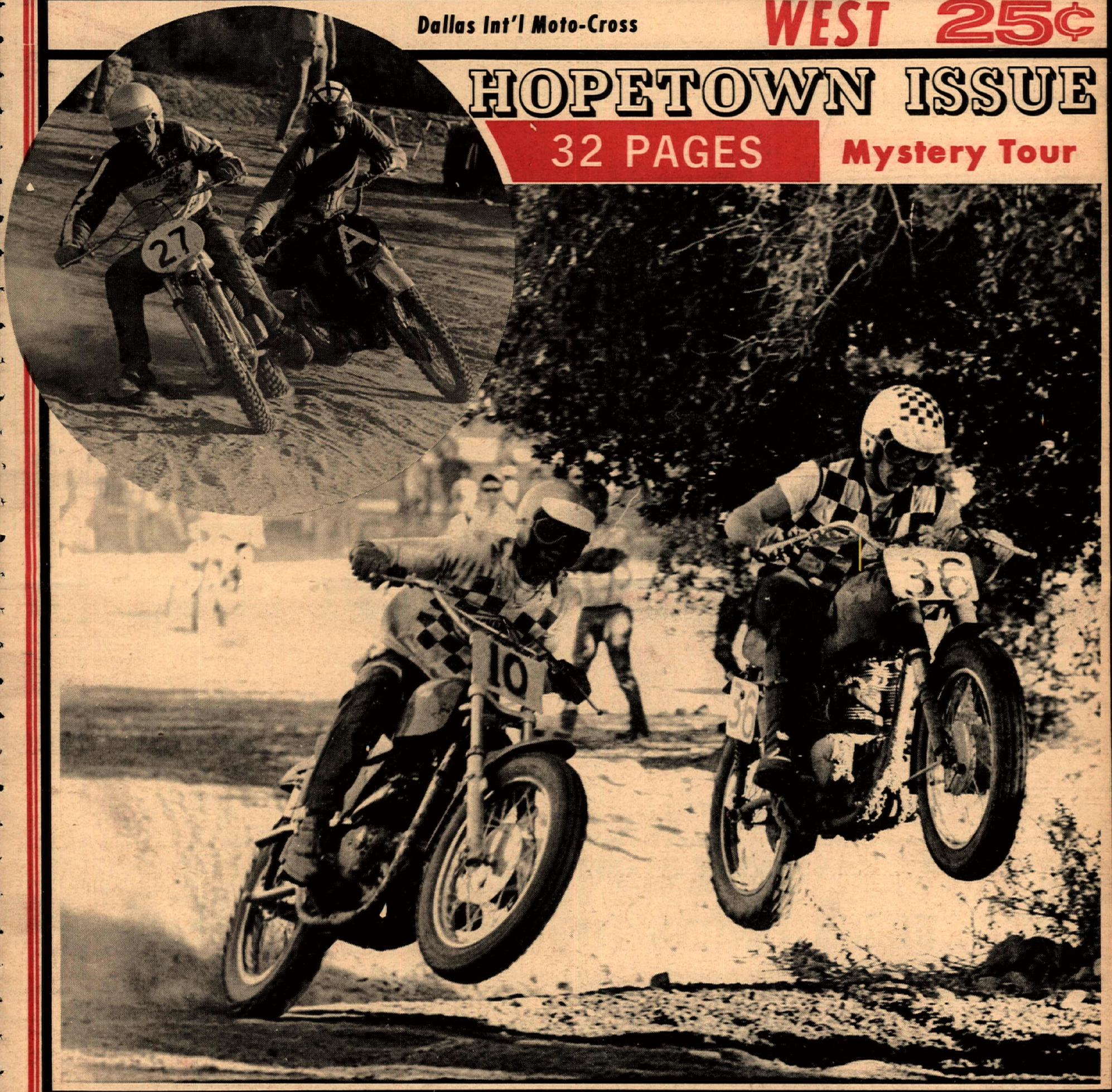

Dusty Coppage (36), shown here leading Triumph-Metisse enthusiast Dick Miller (10), literally ran away from all the competition in the Open Amateur/Expert class aboard his Mike Burke tuned super-Triumph at Hopetown on Nov. 9. In Circle: Preston Petty (27) keeps his Suzuki to the inside as Brian Wade (A), the British Moto-cross superstar, takes his Greeves around the hard way and on to snatch first in the 250cc Expert class.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Readers are advised that listing in this calendar is a free Service. Cycle News disclaims any responsibility for cancellation or changing of events by promoters without notice.

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

SPORTSMAN TT RACES at Trojan Raceway, located corner Long Beach Fwy. & Firestone Blvd. Firestone to Garfield, so. on Garfield, west on Southern to track. Any affil. okay, 100cc & 250cc.

Nov. 22: 100cc 50 lap Championship race, 250cc heats.

Nov. 29: 250cc 50 lap Championship race, 100cc heats.

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT

CLASS A SPEEDWAY RACING at Whiteman Stadium, 12850 Pierce St. at San Fernando Rd., Pacoima, Cal. Races 8 p.m., $2.50 adults, $1.50 under 12, free under 6. Free parking. For info contact Criswell Enterprises, 12130 Sherman Way, No. Hollywood, Cal. (213) 983-1617.

TT RACING under the lights at Elsinore Race Track. Just off Hwy. 71, east of Perris, Calif. turnoff. Sportsman trophies for all classes.

TT SCRAMBLES RACING each and every Sat. night through the summer. Limited amount of riders is 150. Perris M.C. Recreation Center, Perris, Calif.

EVERY SUNDAY

MOTORCYCLE DRAG RACING at Lions Drag Strip, 223rd and Alameda in Wilmington, Cal. Children under 12 free. Info: (213) 424-0961.

SAT., NOV. 16, 23, 30 & DEC. 7th

INDOOR SHORT TRACK RACES by Bob Barkhimer Assoc., Inc. AMA sanc. County Fair Expo Building, 344 Tully Road, San Jose. Pit gate 6 p.m., trials or warm-ups 7 p.m., races start 8:30 p.m.

SAT. & SUN., NOV. 16 & 17th

INTER-AMERICAN MOTO-CROSS SERIES at Westlake Village, Los Angeles, Cal. For info & entries contact International Moto-Cross, 4790 Palm Ave., La Mesa, Cal. 92103. (714) 460-4289.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17th

SCRAMBLES by the Los Gatos M.C. at Uvas Dam cycle hills, Gilroy, Cal., limed from Hwy 101 at the Hall Ranch. Sign-up 8 to 11 a.m., prac. 9 to 11, race 11:30. (415) 225-1730.

AFM ROAD RACE at the Carlsbad Raceway, Palomar Airport Road, east from Interstate 5. All GP & production classes.
SEE AD THIS ISSUE

19th ANNUAL RAMS HARE & HOUND, limed from Pearblossom, Cal. Start at 10 a.m., sidehacks welcome.

6th ANNUAL LOS ANCIANOS TURKEY RUN Hare Scrambles, limed from Ocotillo Wells (Burro Bend) on Hwy. 78. AMA sanc., starts 10:30 a.m. Live trophies.

SPORTSMEN SCRAMBLES at Perris. AMA sanc. 50cc to 100cc pract. 8 a.m., 200cc to 250cc prac. 10 a.m., big bike prac. 12 noon.

3/8 MILE TT at the Tijuana M.C. speedway, six miles south of the border, two miles past Agua Caliente horse track. Follow lime. Info: Earl Roloff (714) 479-3209.

14th ANNUAL HARE SCRAMBLES at Wilseyville, Cal. by the Polka Dots M.C. Limed from Jackson on Hwy 88. Sign-up 7-10:30 a.m., races 11 a.m., AMA sanc. Info P.O. Box 8544, Sacramento 95822.

MOTO-CROSS RACE by the Visaua Ramblers M.C., limed from Kettelman City, Cal. AMA sanc. Sign-up 9 to 10 a.m., race at 11 a.m. Info: (209) 688-0322.

NORWALK ROCKETS TURKEY SHOOT at Hoxie Park in Norwalk, Cal. Sign-in 8-10 a.m., $1.75. Info (213) 863-5339 or 863-9106.

SCRAMBLES at Perris, Cal. by the Sportsmen M.C. Lightweights at 8 a.m., big bikes at 1 p.m. Info: Mr. Ham (714) 685-8170.

SCRAMBLES by Slo-Pokes M.C. at Santa Maria Speedway, Santa Maria, Cal. Double Dist. 35 pts., Memorial Race to benefit family of Larry Fessenden. AMA sanc., noon start. Limed from Hwy. 101 Bakersfield exit (Hwy. 166 East). Info Box 2177, Orcutt, Cal. or (805) WE 7-5836.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18th

RRC M/C Blood Bank, 1130 S. Vermont, Los Angeles.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd

NATIONAL CYCLE DRAGS at the Lions Drag Strip, 223rd & Alameda in Wilmington, Cal. $1000 purse. Gates open 1 p.m., children under 12 free. Info: (213) 424-0961. SEE AD THIS ISSUE

SAT. & SUN., NOV. 23 & 24th

CATTLE CALL RUN by Mary's Men M.C., AMA sanc., SDRRA pt. run. Start finish at Cattle Call Arena, Brawley, Cal. 8 a.m. For info, Mary's Men M.C., 4588 50th, San Diego, Cal. 92115.

INTER-AMERICAN MOTO-CROSS SERIES at De Lavega Park, Santa Cruz, Cal. For info & entries contact International Moto-Cross, 4790 Palm Ave., La Mesa, Cal. 92103. (714) 460-4289.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th

MOTO-CROSS by Hi Boots M.C. at Dehesa Track near San Diego. AMA points. Call (714) 477-8024 or 449-0784.

PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL GRAND PRIX ROAD RACE by FIM/AFM at Orange Co. Int'l. Raceway. For entry info write P.O. Box 213 No. Hollywood, Cal. 91603 or call (213) 762-9875. Entries close Nov. 11. Purse $1,750.
SEE CALIFORNIA G.P. BELOW

27-MILE PONDEROSA HARE SCRAMBLES by the Greyhound M.C. at Ponderosa Ranch, Cal. Info: (213) 367-2907.

TT SCRAMBLES by the Perris Valley M.C. at the Perris Motorcycle Center, 1-1/2 miles SW of Perris off Hwy 74. Ltwts 9 a.m., hvywts at noon. AMA sanc.

2nd ANNUAL 75-MILE CROSS COUNTRY by the Family Fun Wheelers M.C. of Yakima, Wash. Follow red arrows from Zillah north on the Cheyne Road. Same locale as last year on Hwy 410. Smoke bomb 10 a.m. Info: Pomeroy's Cycle Shop, Yakima. GL 2-2188.

13th ANNUAL TURKEY MUD SCRAMBLES by Oregon Sidewinders M.C., 100-175-250-Open classes, at Sidewinders track on SE Lawnfield Rd., Clackamas, Ore. near Portland. Info write Rt. 3, Box 290-C, Oregon City, Ore. 97045.

SCRAMBLES by Sprockets M.C. at Sprockets Park, Bakersfield, Cal., sign-up closes 11:30 a.m., race at noon.

TOYS FOR TOTS POKER RUN- Admission, one toy. Starts 8 a.m. at Eagles Lodge, 4684 S. Saviers Rd., Oxnard, Cal. U.S. Marine Corps charity. Spons. by Oxnard M.C.

CALIFORNIA INTERNATIONAL GRAND PRIX (formerly P.I.G.P.) by FIM/AFM at Orange Co. Int'l Raceway. Info: P.O. Box 213, No. Hollywood, Cal. 91603 or call (213) 762-9875. SEE AD THIS ISSUE

MOTO-CROSS at Deadman's Point, Apple Valley, Cal. by the Desert Challengers. Prac. 8:30 a.m., first race 11 a.m. Info: (213) 845-6448.

ENGLISH TRIALS by the Southern California Trials Assoc., limed from 77th St. and Pearblossom in Littlerock, Cal. Sign-up at 8:30 a.m., trials start 9 a.m. Info: (213) 865-3991.

BUSHMASTERS MOTO-CROSS. Take Interstate 10 to Beaumont Ave. Offramp, Beaumont, Cal. Follow lime two miles south. 0 to 100cc 10 a.m., 101 to 250cc 10:30 a.m., 251 & Open 11:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26th

ART SHOW by Billy Al Bengston, motorcycle and art champion. At the L.A. County Art Museum on Wilshire Blvd. in Los Angles. Continuous bike movies.

SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL MOTO-CROSS at Carlsbad Raceway. Practice 9 a.m., races at noon. Sunday, International races at 10 a.m. Palomar Airport Road, seven miles east of Hwy 101. Info: (714) 460-4289.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27th

TROPHY PRESENTATION by the Antelope Ramblers and the Checkers at 13506 Sherman Way in Van Nuys, Cal. at 8 p.m. for the Antelope Ramblers Hare & Hounds and the Check Chase.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30th

2nd ANNUAL BARSTOW TO LAS VEGAS PACIFIC SOUTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIP HARE & HOUND by San Gabriel Valley M.C. Dist. 37 pts., 185 mi. desert terrain. Limed from Minneola Rd. offramp approx. 12 mi. no. of Barstow, Cal. on Vegas Fwy. For info contact SGVMC, P.O. Box 813, El Monte, Cal. 91734.

SAT., NOV. 30 & SUN., DEC. 1st

INTER-AMERICAN MOTO-CROSS SERIES at Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad, Cal. For info & entries contact International Moto-Cross, 4790 Palm Ave., La Mesa, Cal. 92103. (714) 460-4289.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1st

SCRAMBLES by Feather River M.C. at Triple M Speedway, Marysville, Cal., starts 1 p.m.

HARE SCRAMBLES by the Marin County M.C. at China Camp, Cal. Limed from Marin County Civic Center, San Pedro Rd., Turn-off 101, just north of San Rafael. Sign-up 9-11, race noon. $3 ride, $1 watch. Info: Jim Howland (415) 897-5901.

MOTO-CROSS BY Ridge Runners M.C. at De Lavega Park, Santa Cruz, Cal., limed from Hwy 1 & Morrissey Blvd., prac. 9-10:30 a.m., race 11 a.m., for info call (408) 426-4161.

IRON HORSE ENDURO by Bay City M.C. at Lucerne, Cal. For info, Bay City M.C. c/o Ralph's Motorcycles, 1105 Solano Ave., Napa, Cal. 94558.

TT SCRAMBLES at the Adelanto Track on Hwy 395, Adelanto, Cal. Sign-up closes 11 a.m. for all classes. 500cc 20-lap main event. Info: (213) 927-3860.

EUROPEAN SCRAMBLES by the Desert Challengers at Deadman's Point, Apple Valley, Cal. Three 1-hr. races. Info: (213) 845-6448.

3rd ANNUAL HARE SCRAMBLES, by the Cycliens of Bakersfield. Limed from Bakersfield Speedway. AMA sanc., race at noon. Info: Wendyl Aragon (805) 831-2121.

HARE SCRAMBLES by the Marin County MC at China Camp. Limed on Hwy 101 at San Pedro Road just north of San Rafael. AMA sanc., sign-up 9-11 a.m., race at noon. Info: George Schaffer.

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INTER-AMERICAN MOTO-CROSS SERIES at Saddleback Park, Irvine, Cal. For info & entries contact International Moto-Cross, 4790 Palm Ave., La Mesa, Cal. 92103. (714) 460-4289. SEE AD THIS ISSUE

SOUTHERN NEVADA TT CHAMPIONSHIP by Vegas Valley M.C., Las Vegas, Nev. For info contact Tom's Cycle Center, 1030 S. Main, Las Vegas, Nev. (702) 382-6600.

FRIDAY, DEC. 13, 27, FEB. 7, 14th

INDOOR MOTORCYCLE SHORT TRACK by Bob Barkhimer Assoc. Inc. at the Cow Palace, San Francisco, Cal. Pitgate 6 p.m., trials or warm-ups, 7 p.m., races start 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th

INTER-AMERICAN MOTO-CROSS SERIES at Guadalajara, Mexico. For info & entries contact International Moto-Cross 4790 Palm Ave., La Mesa, Cal. 92103. (714) 460-4289.

MOTO-CROSS, by Placerville M.C. – Limed on Hwy #50 4 mi. west of Placerville, Cal. AMA sanc. Mail entry til Dec. 1, $2.50, P.O. Box 311, Placerville, Calif. 95667. Post $3.50, for info call 622-0549.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22nd

MOTO-CROSS at Carlsbad, Cal. by CMC. Mail entries $5, close Dec. 17. Mail to P.O. Box 124, Reseda, Cal. 91335. Info (213) 886-3116.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5th

SAW MILL ENDURO by North Bay M.C. at Santa Rosa, Cal., AMA sanc. For info write North Bay M.C., 415 Davis Street, Santa Rosa, Cal.

AMA OKAYS 750'S, COMPRESSION RELEASES, PRO MOTO-X

By Paul Cosner

Representatives from every AMA District in the country met in Columbus, O., October 28, 29 and 30 for the first annual Competition Congress and made progress in the process.

Some of the most revolutionary changes to come about in years was passed at this meeting which was chaired by AMA Director Bill Berry. The biggest change is a new 750cc displacement limit for dirt track machines. Formerly Harley-Davidson's flathead KR machine was the only bike running at 750cc, while the overhead valve competitors were limited to 500cc. This rule will probably mean that the new BSA and Triumph 750cc threes, the Norton Commando and Royal Enfield and possibly even the soon-to-be-introduced Honda 750-4's will be running in National Championship races. This will make next season the most exciting in recent history.

The controversial mid-season ban on compression releases for two-cycle engines was also reversed by the congress. The new ruling states that one braking device, except a front wheel brake, will be allowed on each machine. Thus a compression release may be used on a two or four-cycle engine in either Professional or Sportsman competition.

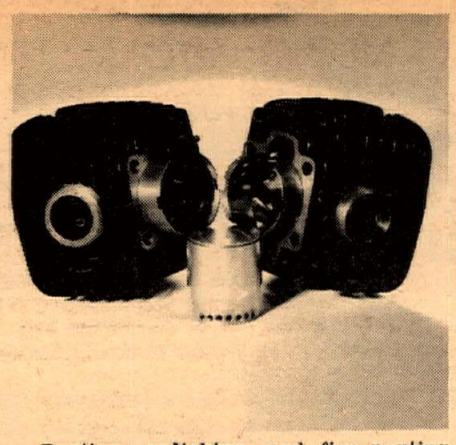
Also passed was the use of 5-speed transmissions in racing machines. This will undoubtedly be an aid to the high-revving two-strokes which formerly had to block out fifth gears on their machines causing clutch and gearing problems.

Claiming price for all professional events raised to $2500.00 in consideration of the added expense of the new 750cc machines.

The congress also took steps to enable moto-cross racing to go professional. Minimum purses will be $600.00' and equipment need not be approved. This opens the door to home-builts and factory-special machinery. Motos will be 30 minutes long and classes are 0-250cc's and 300cc-Open All starts will be live engine, gearbox in neutral and clutch hand on helmet.

Before they adjourned the Congressmen also managed to edit, recodify and modify the entire AMA Sportsman rulebook.

5-PORTING AND POLISHING FOR HODAKAS



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Our most heartfelt thanks, to the 840 riders (the best in the U.S.) Mr. Bryan Wade and the Rickman Bros. of England, that gave our club and 37,443 enthusiastic spectators the biggest and best G.P. and International Moto-Cross that we have had the pleasure of presenting so far. See you next year.

– Dirtdiggers M.C.

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Don Vesco – Bridgestone Factory – BSA – Yamaha
Ron Pierce – Yamaha Don Emde – Suzuki
Byron Black – Honda (Mad Bomber)

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Another Southwest wailer on a Suzuki.

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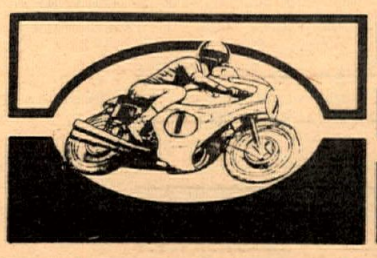

ORANGE COUNTY INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY

OTHER STARS EXPECTED FROM OVERSEAS
SEE NEXT WEEK'S AD!!!

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VOICES OF THE WEST

YEAH, CARLSBAD

We would like to express our appreciation for the crew at Carlsbad Raceway.

Due to circumstances quite beyond their control, the event scheduled for the 27th of October (and advertised that week in Cycle News) was canceled. Other tracks, no doubt, would have simply left the gates closed; but Larry Grismer went ahead, contacted members of the moto-cross club that holds events at Carlsbad, and provided a very good day of racing for all of us.

It is worth noting that the track suffered a financial loss, since only 20 riders showed up.

But Mr. Grismer, and Carlsbad Raceway not only didn't disappoint us (we, for example, had hauled our bikes 100 miles to race) but gave us more racing than usual: would you believe 20 laps for lightweight production? (Are you listening, AFM?)

Furthermore, we were sent a letter of apology (!) in which Mr. Grismer says "...Your attitude at this event proves out my personal opinion of longstanding, that cycle racers are still out to race and haven't accepted the Cry-Baby individuals that have come into other types of racing."

Where else can you get such good racing and compliments too?

Mr. Grismer, come the next race, we will be there! And every race we can get to. Thank you!

JOHN WEIGEL #319
DAVE DOAN #63
Riverside, Cal.

CHEAP ABOUT TROPHIES?

I think the cycle clubs are getting pretty cheap when they trophy riders as they did in the Southern California Hare and Hound. I finished 6th overall trailbike and was third Amateur. Everyone I've talked to agrees I was robbed, including a few So. Cal. members.

We all agree that it's been almost common policy to trophy the first 10 overall, and at least 1st., 2nd, and 3rd. in their classes. There were 22 Amateurs so there should have been three or four Amateur trophies.

BRIAN KOCK
Trailbike #77.

P.S.: I was one of the seven names left off the letter on long races in your last issue. I'm all for them. If the riders can't take it, let them sit out the Hare and Hounds and Hare Scrambles and ride only the European Scrambles.

CHEERS FOR SIDEHACK ASSN.

I want to thank the Side-Hack Assn. for listing every rider in the results of their TT Scrambles at Huntington Beach Oct. 27th. That is something the clubs haven't done in years and should do from now on. It is discouraging not to find one's name listed in the results, especially to the beginner. I think every rider wants to know what position he was in. No one is perfect and we all "goof" at times but I think over all, the Side-Hack Assn. put on a good race and I, for one appreciate their efforts.

ALVINE SUMMERS
Calif. Gophers
Bell Gardens, Calif.

SMALL BIKE RACE TIME

Last Sunday Oct. 27, my son and I rode the Sidehack Ass'n. race at Huntington Beach. We ride small bikes (100cc) and had to ride in the afternoon, which seems only fair that the big bikes get to ride in the morning once in a while. But the big bikes got to ride 15 lap mains (the Open Experts rode motos) and the small bikes got to ride 8 lap mains and in the case of the 100cc Novice class some of them only got to ride 3 lousy laps because they had 3 heat races of only 3 laps and no semi Mains.

Pretty damned expensive riding and damned unfair. We have to pay just as much to ride as the big bike riders so why shouldn't we get as many laps as they do? And don't tell me it was because they were running out of daylight. They could have cut the big bikes down to 10 laps and given every one an equal number of laps. If this sounds like I am griping you better believe I sure as hell am.

CHUCK NEELEY
#374x

TRIUMPH (ANT) POEM

Here is a poem composed by my wife, Marlene, after the 8-Mile National when Triumph retained the No. 1 Plate.

She rides a Triumph and I ride a Harley so the battle wages continually.

She read this at our last club meeting (Los Borrachos M.C. of Ventura) of which she is secretary. The members seemed to enjoy it and I thought the readers of Cycle News might get a kick out of it too.

If any Harleys are here,
kindly stay in the rear,
And let a Triumph lead the way.
It's definitely the fate of '68,
to be a Triumph year.

They're not only fun,
They are still number one,
And for that fans may let out a cheer.

Think, you Harley riders,
As you're riding in the rear,
With a LARGER factory team,
Perhaps you'll have a chance next year.

So my friends, we are nearly to the end,
I just thought I'd give you the score,
Harley may have won some battles,
But Triumph won the WAR!!

DAN SPENCER
Ojai, Cal.

LAPPED 'EM?

In the Hilltoppers 15-lapper in the 50cc class I got third, not fifth. I lapped Jay Lewis and Frank McDowell. I demand that Maureen Lee write a retraction on it.

HANK SCOTT, 64X
Baldwin Park, Cal.

"I was in that race myself and was so busy being lapped twice I didn't notice who came in third. However, the official results from the club listed you as fifth so you'd better take it up with the Competition Committee." M.L.

GOOD AMBULANCE CREW

Since no one else has said anything, I will. I know most of the people in the stands at Ascot don't know what goes on at the track when a rider has fallen and been injured. But to those of us who see it and know what happens it certainly means a lot to have a competent ambulance crew. They were Johnny-on-the-spot when Steve Pederson fell, administering mouth to mouth resuscitation and doing everything humanly possible to keep him alive.

I haven't heard anything about Clyde Litch's condition as yet, but if he's alive he owes it to the ambulance crew, who were right there giving him oxygen.

A lot of us can remember the old ambulances we used to have, now they were poorly equipped and barely ran, but most of all the incompetence of their crews, who drove out on the track, picked up the rider, put him in the ambulance, and took him to the hospital not caring whether he was dead or alive.

Nobody likes to see anyone hurt, but when someone does get hurt it's nice to know there is someone there to help who cares, and Ascot has the best.

BOB BRYAN
(Asst. Starter)

DONAHER NOT INVOLVED

I am Terry Donaher's brother, and I think it was downright unfair to even mention Terry's name in Steve Pederson's fatal accident.

I believe Terry is innocent of any wrong doing. I was there and saw the whole thing.

MIKE DONAHER
Gardena, Calif.

I am writing in protest to a letter in your column last week entitled "Don't Blame Terry Donaher" concerning Steve Pederson's fatal accident at the Ascot quarter mile on October 25th.

Anyone with half an eye that watched that race could see Terry never, at any time came close to Steve or his bike. Terry would be the first one to admit any guilt because Steve was his best friend.

At the conclusion of the race he ran over to give aid and was forcibly pushed away by the attendants since there was nothing he could do to help.

Mr. Jeffery must have been watching other riders, but I followed Terry from start to finish and I know he is in no way responsible for the tragedy.

I think it's unfair to publish a letter before you check the facts, and I believe Mr. Jeffery's letter cast a shadow on an innocent rider.

MRS. W.J. DONAHER
Gardena, Calif.

The writer of the letter to Voices, James Jeffery, was apparently in error when he mentioned Terry Donaher's name in connection with the accident. He was, however, just trying to point out that none of the riders were at fault. We apologize for any injury, certainly unintended, that may have resulted from the letter and thank Mrs. Donaher and Mike for straightening it out. —Ed.

MEET THE DEALER

Dave Burns

By Elsmar Salley

One of the biggest promoters of motorcycling in Alaska is Dave "Pappy" Burns who, for the past 13 years, has had the Harley-Davidson dealership in Anchorage. He now also sells Suzuki.

"Pappy" came to peaceful Alaska to get away from California, after ulcers made it necessary to have two-third of his stomach removed.

He bought a used Hummer cycle after arriving and soon found that it was hard to get parts from the dealer.

"So I bought his business, mainly to get his small stock of parts and some old machines that I could cannibalize to keep mine running," Burns said.

One way he built up business was to invent an ice racing machine. Light aluminum pipes were used for a balancing side car and the third wheel came from a small scooter.

"No one rode in the side car and the third wheel never touched the ground except for cornering or to prevent a spill during a skid.

After a demonstration at a winter carnival he had so many order for the little side cars he couldn't build them fast enough. It also helped him sell a lot of cycles.

One of his latest projects of "Pappy" and the motorcycle club he formed, the Last Frontier Club, is to get cycles into the State Highway Patrol. After six years of trying, Burns' influence got the Alaska legislature to authorize two cycles for the Anchorage branch of the state patrol. But they didn't allot any funds in the 1968 budget.

Nevertheless, the patrolmen will get their Harley 74s, thanks to the club members and those they coaxed into putting up the money.

Torturous Orange County Course Has 15mph Average

Orange County International Raceway has constructed a new race course for cars, but there's a good chance somebody might organize motorcycle races on it.

Situated in the northwest corner of the raceway's 120-acre triangle are two new dirt circuits, one inside the other. Dips, washboards, jumps, water hazard, straight-aways and fifty-four turns form 1.5 miles of the most torturous road ever carved from flat land. Mounds and corners are cambered with such variation that even the most skilled will find negotiation difficult. The initial trials have yet to see anyone exceed a 15 mph average.

Most courses of this type can start only one vehicle at a time in a race against the clock. At Orange County two will start simultaneously, each racing the other. This was not accomplished with wider roads but rather through the use of two separate circuits which coincide in the area of the start/finish line. As both cars accelerate from the starting line one takes the inside course. (.7 miles in length and marked with blue streamers), while the other car takes the outside circuit (.8 miles in length and marked with yellow streamers).

As the drivers cross the start/finish line at the conclusion of the first lap they exchange courses. The first to cross the finish at the end of two laps is the winner.

A 12-foot berm bordering the course on the southeast provides an unobstructed view for spectators of the entire track.

This new off-road course will be open to the public Monday thru Saturday from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm. Admission is $3 per vehicle per day. The track is also available on a rental basis to private organizations for testing and special events.

Orange County plans to run professional races on the new dirt circuit. A schedule and description of these events will be announced soon.

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Dirtdiggers Climax Hopetown Decade

Cream of Competitors Careen Around Comedian's Course

Photos by John Shedd, Bill Pettigrew, Dennis Greene.

FLAT FLYER FELLED BY FLAT TIRE – Jim Wilson is just discovering his rear tire has gone flat as this picture was made. He won the 250 Novice race, was leading 500s here.

By John Shedd

HOPETOWN, Cal., Nov. 10– Hopetown is the yearly classic everyone looks forward to. Even through the tension, butterflies and hearbreak there is a general happy mood. The Dirtdiggers 10th annual Grand Prix was not quite so colorful as last year, without the CZ and Husky teams, but Great Britain's Greeves star, Bryan Wade, and the Rickman Brothers of Metisse fame gave us some of last year's international flavor. About 34,000 attended, with 850 riders. There were 16 events over the weekend, nine running yesterday. The seven over-250cc classes were run today. Each event ran 10 laps except the 250cc Novices. They started Saturday's action with two heats, their Main Event coming later in the day.

Greeves rider Jim Wilson completely overwhelmed the competition in the first heat. Jim LeBlanc came from behind on his Bultaco to win the second.

In the Main Event, it was again trials rider Jim Wilson walking away. Wilson, who cut his teeth at trials riding, may just be the one American in the next few years capable of defeating some of Europe's better moto-cross stars.

The 100cc Amateur/Expert class was packed with talent. Yamaha ace Fred Edwards grabbed the lead while Amateur Bill Pettigrew (Hodaka) moved from back in the pack to second overall. But Edwards dropped out on the first lap and Pettigrew fowled a plug, putting him 'way back.

Zundapp-mounted John Rice moved up to the front but he too had problems. Gary Bailey then took over on his Penton. Bailey eventually met the same fate as the earlier leaders.

Finally it was Amateur Dan Hockie who took the overall win on a Hodaka. Dave Aldana on a Suzuki was first Expert.

The 250cc event combined Novices,

(Continued on page 6)

RIGHT: Sidehacks bog briefly in the mud hazard as Darrel and Ken Meter motor by on the fly. BELOW: Open Experts led by Gene Smith with Dusty (36) Coppage setting up for the win. Desert sanction allowed professional Experts to ride. Mike (9) Haney was second overall.

HOPETOWN continued

Amateurs and Experts. Novice Mike Rendich showed the rest the way around for the first lap. But Steve Scott, starting from well back in the 60-rider pack pulled into the lead on the second lap. Penton-mounted Gary Bailey was moving up fast. On the third lap he took the lead from Scott and from then on it was Bailey to the wire.

The 250cc Expert was the race everyone was waiting for. Was factory-sponsored Greeves moto-cross ace Bryan Wade capable of closing the door on Southern California's best?

A crowd full of anticipation watched screaming Steve Scott maneuver his Bultaco to the number one slot on the first lap. Hard charging Suzuki-mounted Preston Petty came from back in the pack to take over second. Wade was running about sixth or seventh and far back from Scott.

Then Wade showed what European moto-cross riders are made of by quickly catching up to Preston Petty.

Petty did a great job of keeping him back but was soon forced to pull out with mechanical problems. Wade then set his sights on Scott and lap by lap cut his lead.

On the last lap Scott crashed with Wade breathing down his neck. He got up in time to take second behind the British bomb.

Checker invasion leads the 500 Experts into first turn.

Lana Paige kept up with the guys for 7 laps before stopping to powder her nose.

Karen Traw seemed to be having fun riding the Powder Puff race.

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Bigger Crowd Sunday

On Sunday the crowd must have increased ten times but it was still short of last year's 38,000 record attendance for the day.

The combined 350cc Novice, Amateur and Expert class started the happenings. Ossa-mounted Dave Aldana charged to the front and kept lots of space between him and John Rice on a Honda. Aldana was hot after for his second Hopetown win and no one could put him down.

The climax of the day was the 500cc Expert event. Wade got a better start this stime and moved into the lead on the second lap. Derek Rickman shot along the outside from the very back of the pack at the start, passing almost every rider. However, Maico-mounted Preston Petty was a solid second and Gary Bailey was holding down third on his Greeves.

Both Rickmans were still in the pack but moving up fast. Soon they both passed the two Americans. Then Don Rickman passed brother Derek to take over second. On the same lap Wade went out, so it was the Rickman brothers finishing one, two. Petty was third, the best finishing American. Bailey followed him.

The Open Amateur/Expert class was the last race of the two-day classic. The nation's number two ranked TT rider, Dusty Coppage, moved his Triumph into the front and held it all the way. Mike Haney, also on a Triumph, went unchallenged for second. Last year's winner Gene Smith, Triumph again, had to settle for third.

(Results on page 20)

LEFT: Rod Montgomery and Jack Morgan.
ABOVE: Jeff Robin looked good.

ABOVE: Dirtdiggers M.C.'s trademark is the watersplash, also a spectator favorite. BELOW: New dance step: the Hopetown Hop. Spectators weren't the only ones jaywalking on the course.

C.H. Wheat flies high trying to catch the hard riding Don Rickman who is mounted on one of his famous Rickman Metisse Victors. The engine in both Don and Derek's Metisse scramblers is the BSA Victor with the new Westlake head conversion kits that up the horsepower to somewhere in the vicinity of 50 to 60 bhp. Steen's in Alhambra, California will be marketing the kits in the near future for the USA lads.

HODAKA HODAKA HODAKA

HOPETOWN continued

LEFT: Ike Miren. ABOVE: Powder Puff winner on a Penton, Terri Brice.

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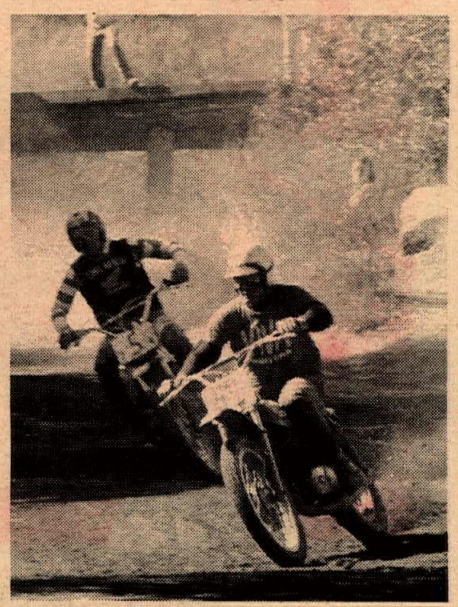

John (5) Rice and Ron Nelson have at it.

ABOVE: Norm Benham looks ready to take on Joel. BELOW: Richard Wunder leads (41) Skip Welty.

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INTERNATIONAL MOTO-CROSS CIRCUS Round One: Pepperell

Joel Robert does a pirouette with his CZ as he passes Americans Vincent (6) and Jeckel (87). The Belgian failed to finish, leaving the win for teammate Dave Bickers.

By Chuck Clayton
Photos by A Schonfeld and J. Mercer

America was invaded last fortnight by an expeditionary force of 12 Europeans, armed with Husqvarna, CZ, OSSA and Bultaco motorcycles.

Landing at Pepperell, Mass. near the New Hampshire border, they took on U.S. and Canadian rough riders in the first of a 6-week series of moto-cross battles on our own home ground. Although our side is the underdog, the first contest showed that America is rapidly closing the moto-cross gap, and it would not be too optimistic to hope for a U.S. victory before the current series is over.

Two Russians and the current world 500cc Moto-Cross Champion, Paul Friederichs of East Germany, were scheduled to arrive, but sent their regrets at the last minute. Apparently the strained political relations between Russia and Czechoslovakia caused them to send their CZ's back to Prague and bow out of the circus. Official reason given was "injuries."

The big gun in Europe's arsenal is Belgiums's Joel Robert, 24-year-old reigning World Champion in the 250cc category. Joel's

Bugsy Mann goes full bore all the time. He was the highest finishing American in the 250 International, placing seventh on his Ossa. Mann also placed seventh and first American to finish at Pepperell the week before.

sticky-new CZ quit in the second moto after he had won the first, handing the 250 win to teammate Dave Bickers of England.

Another Belgian, Marcel Wiertz, riding a Spanish Bultaco, grabbed off second spot on points after Joel fell in the 3rd moto. And National No. 2 Dick Mann earned the first American honors in the 250 class by placing 8th behind Seven Europeans on his Ossa. Another American, Ron Jeckel of New York, rode his Bultaco to an impressive 3rd place in the 500cc class by virtue of consistent charging.

The leader of the Swedish team, 4-time World Champion Torsten Hallman, struck the fence and did a cartwheel in the second 250cc moto, suffering two broken ribs.

Montesa banked their hopes on an All-American team consisting of Californian Ron Nelson and "the flyin' Hawaiian" John DeSoto. Nelson got a flat tire, but DeSoto earned 9th overall in the 250cc class . . .not too bad for a young man who has only been riding moto-cross for 6 months! The Viva team will make all the races in the series, coast-to-coast.

Barry Higgins, a New Jersey lad riding a CZ for Ghost Motorcycle Sales of New York, impressed the fans with a 5th place finish in one 250 moto, beating quite a few of Europe's best battlers.

RESULTS: 500cc International

1—Bengt A berg, Sweden, HUS; 2—Chris Hammargren, Sweden, HUS; 3—Vlastimel Valek, Czechoslovakia, CZ; 4—Ron Jeckel, New York, USA, BUL; 5—Seppo Makinen, Canada, CZ; 6—Bill Silverthorn, California, USA, HUS; 7—Bob Ismailof, New York USA, CZ; 8—Charlie Vincent, Connecticut, USA, TRI; 9—Norm Richens, Canada, GRE; 10—Martin Ripp, New York, USA, CZ; 11—Gene Gonnert, New York, USA, HUS; 12—John Skopp, Connecticut, USA, TRI; 13—Gene Fetty, California, USA, HUS; 14—Ray Horn, New Jersey, USA, CZ. Joe Bolger (U.S.), Bruce Maguire (U.S.), Smiley Hulbert (U.S.), John Bettencourt (U.S.), Dale Cassell (U.S.), Geo. Parmelee (U.S.) and Karsten Vagner.)

250cc International:

1. Dave Bickers (CZ) England, 2. Marcel Wiertz (Bul)., Bel., 3. Roger DeCoster (CZ) Bel., 4. Vlastimel Valek (CZ) Cze., 5. Mick Andrews (Ossa) Eng., 6. Gunnar Linstrom (Hus) Swe., 7. Dick Mann (Ossa) U.S., 8. Phil Palazzo (Bul) U.S., 9. John DeSoto (Mon) U.S., 10. Bill Thomas (Hus) U.S., 11. Barry Higgins (CZ) U.S., 12. Terry Coolbeth (CZ) U.S., 13. Bob Owen (Bul) U.S., 14. Jim Van Arman (CZ) U.S., 14. Bill Alsup (Bul) U.S.

SHOWDOWN AT NEW PHILADELPHIA

Photos By Dick Bingham, Matt Weisman, Ray Ninness, Curt Relick, Bob Dworak.

MID-OHIO INTERNATIONAL MOTO-CROSS LEAVES AMERICANS SHOCKED

By Paul Cosner

The start of a 500 International Moto shows (51) Torlief Hansen, Husky, once again in the lead. Hansen seemingly was unbeatable to the first turn with his jack-rabbit starts. He was very fast and flashy until his throttle cable broke in the second 250cc Moto. Following him is Aberg(52), Robert (58), Bickers (56) and Weil (160).

Vini Vidi Vici. The only proper description of the International Moto-Cross at New Philadelphia, Ohio, Oct. 27, is a steal from that famous European, Julius Caesar.

They came, they saw, they conquered. The International Moto-Cross stars were every bit as good as they were billed. They rode rough-shod over the best in the Midwest. In the process they also quickly despatched any threat that the East or West coast riders could provide and set a standard of perfection for all American riders to shoot for.

The festivities began on Saturday with 2000 spectators watching AMA elimination races to pare the field for Sunday's International. Riders from as far away as Georgia, Wisconsin, Massachusetts and Canada attempted to qualify for the starting field of 40 for Sunday's 250cc and 500cc events and a 125cc exhibition Moto. The 250cc field was so crowded that two separate classes were run.

The AMA races were run under overcast skies with temperatures hovering in the low thirties, a strong wind and intermittent rain mixed with snow. Although this undoubtedly contributed to the lack of spectators it didn't seem to dampen the riders spirits one bit.

In the first 250cc series Ronald Moore of Dayton, O., came out top dog. The Brothers Shrover, Bob and Bud, rounded out the top three on their identical Yamahas.

The second 250cc series went to Donald Bannerman, Barkley, Mich., who was riding a Bultaco. Following him in was CZ mounted Joe Higgins from Dorchester, Mass., and Jim Merkner, Crown Point, Mich., on a Bul.

First 3 finishers in the 500cc class were Norm Richens, Clarkston, Ont., on a CZ, Bob Oury, Elmhurst, Ill., riding a Triumph and Rich Burleson, Ann Arbor, Mich., who rode a beautiful race on a BSA Victor Grand Prix.

The 125 event went to Penton riders Jeff Penton, Tom Penton and Floyd Beattie. In the entire day's racing only one rider required hospital attention. He broke his collar-bone but was back at the track in time for the awards ceremony.

Promoter John Penton either has connections in high places or fantastic good luck. After the absolutely horrifying weather on Saturday, Sunday dawned bright and clear. This almost perfect fall day contributed greatly to the 10,000-plus spectators that lined the track 4-deep to view the most spectacular brand of racing this country has ever seen. It was also beneficial to the Dayton T.V. crew filming the races for distribution to other stations.

The Europeans, who had practiced at the track on Wednesday and Friday, found it much to their liking. They were of the opinion that this was the first moto-cross course they had seen in the U.S. that compared with the European circuits. The course was 1¾ miles long in contrast with the short 7/10 mile course they had run at Pepperell the week before. On some of the straights they were pushing 80 mph.

The 125 race Sunday had a surprise winner in Walt Axthelm, an Expert from California, riding the first of the 125 Sachs Moto-Cross machines to be seen in this area.

The Penton brothers, Tom and Jeff, gave Axthelm a run for his money but neither finished both Motos. Second was James Jerles, Zanesville, O., on a Suzuki-engined Sachs and 3rd was Bob Grodzinski, Avon, O. on a Penton.

Europeans copped the first places in the 250 International with Bengt Aberg taking his Husky for the win. Adolf Weil, West Germany, had a great ride on his Maico to take second over-all. Third was 250cc World Champion Joel Robert of Belgium.

The first American to finish was Dick Mann in 7th place on a very rapid Ossa. Bugsy was also the highest placed American at Pepperell, where he also finished 7th. Barry Higgins and Joe Higgins two CZ riders from Massachusetts, were 8th and 9th.

There used to be a saying quite common among midwestern riders that went, "If you've seen one wheelie, you've seen them all." After watching Joel Robert in the 500cc International we're pretty sure we won't be hearing that one again. Robert actually had the crowd, and the other riders, in the palm of his hand. Towards the end of the final Moto he decided to put on a thrill show for the folks all by himself. He wheelied down the straight at 70 per. He crossed the bike up in the air in the middle of turns. He performed power-slides with his feet on the pegs. And finally, every lap he wheelied three quarters of the way down the steepest hill on the course! Needless to say, he won the event hands down.

Second was Roger DeCoster, also on a CZ and third was Husqvarna factory rider Chris Hammargren. Highest placed American was California's Ron Nelson, who was riding a 360cc Capra for the Montesa factory.

Now that it's over and done with, what's the verdict? Well, the Americans are improving. They're placing much higher than they did in the same series last year.

4-time World Champion Torsten Hallman was forced to spectate at Mid-Ohio due to injuries received at Pepperell.

Many-times World Champion Torsten Hallman, who was forced to spectate at Mid-Ohio because of a cracked rib and busted collarbone he got when he unloaded at Pepperell, had this to say about the Americans. "The only riders I saw with real top-flight talent was Ron Nelson from California and Barry Higgins from Massachusetts. The rest of the riders are too old and out of shape. To be a moto-cross star you must start when you are sixteen."

Somehow I don't think Dick Mann was paying attention.

Results:

125cc Exhibition (2 Twenty-Minute Motos): 1. Walt Axthelm, Calif., (Sac); 2. James Jerles, Zanesville, O., (Suz-Sac); 3. Bob Grodzinski, Avon, O., (Pen); 4. Tim Hoffman, Muncie, Ind., (Pen); 5. Dan McMillen, Ohio, (Bul); 6. Sol Defeo, N.Y., N.Y., (Mai); 7. Kim Coolbeth, Conn., (Pen); 8. Bob Loftin, Mass., (Bul); 9. Phil Rader, Ohio, (Pen); 10. Tom Kennedy, Ohio, (Pen).

250cc International (2 Thirty-minute Motos): 1. Bengt Aberg, Sweden, (Hus); 2. Adolf Weil, W. Germany, (Mai); 3. Joel Robert, Belgium, (CZ); 4. Blastimil Valek, Czechoslovakia, (CZ); 5. Dave Bickers, England, (CZ); 6. Mick Andrews, England, (Oss); 7. Dick Mann, Schenectady, N.Y., (Oss); 8. Barry Higgins, Mass., (CZ); 9. Joe Higgins, Mass., (CZ); 10. John Desoto, California, (Mon).

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5th in the 250 International was retiring CZ team rider Dave Bickers of England. Dave, who is 30, feels that he is now too old to compete. He has twice been 250cc World Champion riding Greeves machines.

BICKERS BULLS TO MUDDY DALLAS FINISH, VINCENT 8th

By James E. Brammer

In Dallas on Friday, a good omen appeared in snow flurries and rain, followed by a killing frost. Ideal track conditioner for those who are swift in the mud. At that point I would have wagered on Dave Bickers, the only British entry at Dallas, to win the moto-cross; but there's a young Swede ten years his junior, and a World Champion from Belgium who were gazing into a different crystal.

Also, there's a front runner, Adolf Weil, from West Germany on a Maico, Weil and the Swede, Torleif Hansen, were in a dice to lead the first of two thirty-minute legs in the International class with Dave Bickers and Joel Robert riding a bit more conservatively.

Close to the thirty minute time limit, Weil's gas line came off with him in second spot, eliminating his finish. Hansen finished first for one point, Robert second for two, Dave Bickers for three, and so on with rider's points accumulating according to position of finish.

East Beats West

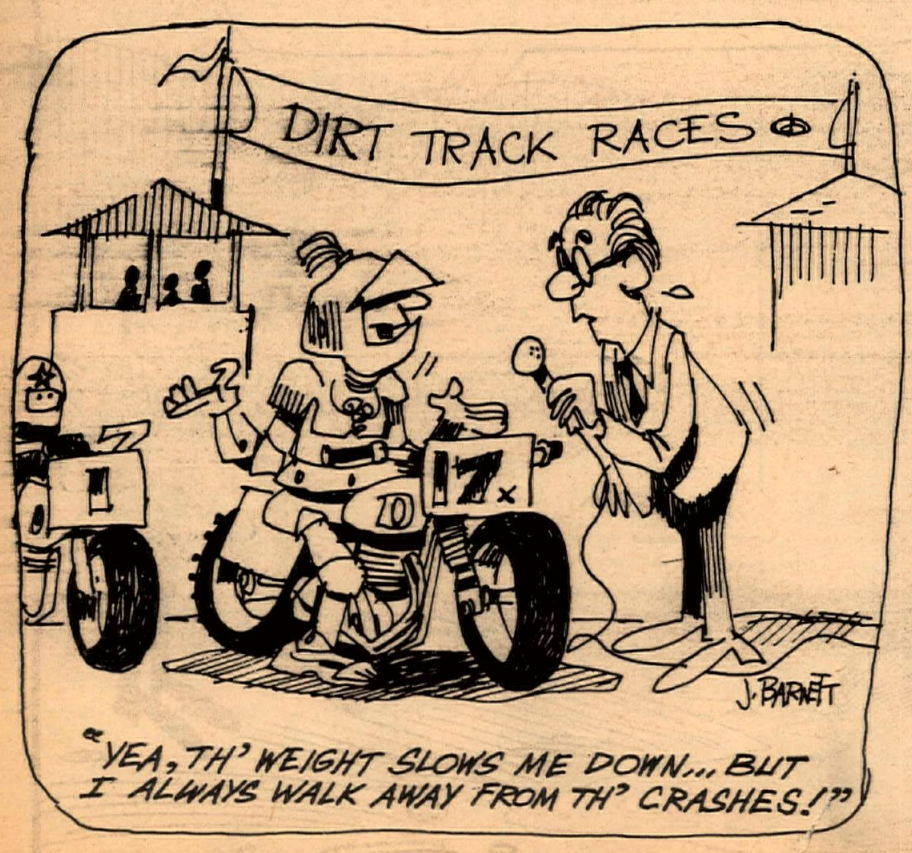
So much for the first leg. The youngsters stole the thunder with veterans Joel Robert and Dave Bickers drawing less attention, but they were counting points. The second moto, a more ambitious Robert and Bickers came charging forward. Neither rider led from the start, but once in front, others were out-classed by the two.

Czechoslovakian Konecny on CZ leads a Husky rider in a fast stretch of the Dallas track.

At this point John DeSoto, 22, of California is giving trouble to Pierre Karsmaker 55, of Holland and Gunner Lindstrom, 26, of Sweden. They finished in reverse order to their standing here, 5th, 6th and 7th.

Karsmaker goes through, followed by the European pack. The Americans are just coming over the rise. For most, this was as close as they got to the visitors.

Brushing the hay bail with his boot, Karsmaker tucks it all in around a tree. Valek is right behind, waiting for his chance.



Vlastimil Valek puts everything into a jump.

At times, Bickers was a quarter lap (on the one mile course) in front. After some twenty minutes Robert had gained a strong lead and then a coil on his CZ ceased to spark. Bickers finished the second leg first with Weil second and Benzt Alberg third. Hansen was fourth, and this added to his one point from the first moto gave him a second place finish overall behind Dave Bickers. Hawaiian, John DeSoto finished 9th in the moto and 9th overall with Ohioan Glen Vincent 8th overall. That's East beats West you know, and in no mans land – a Texas TT course.

A tough little Texan, Joe Joiner, from Dallas on a CZ left no doubts who was boss of the 250cc Junior Class. Joiner spent the first moto chasing Jack O'Leary on a Yamaha and during the last lap of that leg, Joiner's handle bars slipped downward on a jump recovery. His chin bottomed against the gas tank, opening a gash that a matador would envy. To Joiner, who would win, it was embarrassing. Back to the second leg with gauze and tape where stitches should be, there wasn't a chance for a pack of very fast 250's to contest him on the one mile TT-Scrambles type course.

Walt Axthelm (Sachs) came through top man overall in a 125cc class, also held on Saturday. The 125cc class and the Junior 250cc class were conducted in two twenty minute motos while the international and Senior class were given 30 minute races.

...Then Joel Robert Takes 500cc Bash

DALLAS, Tex., Nov. 10– Without Torleif Hansen to dice with Joel Robert in the 500cc senior class at Dallas, it would have been a run-a-way. Benzt Alberg (Husqvarna) led the early laps of the first leg with Robert (CZ) in second, Torleif Hansen (Hasqvarna) third, Dave Bickers (CZ) fourth; and Adolf Weil (Maico) fifth.

No one could lead Robert for long, though Hansen repeatedly passed him. Robert always got back up there. By the end of the first leg, Alberg and Bickers slipped to fourth and fifth with Robert winning, Hansen second and West German, Weil in third.

The second leg was a 30 minute duel between Robert and Hansen with both riders gaining a tremen dous lead over the others. Bickers finished third, good for a third overall. Weil's gas line connection separated, dumping gas on his hot engine. There was smoke, but fortunately no fire. Similar problems had stopped him from placing in the 250cc class.

For the 500cc junior class, Joe Joiner was out on a shiny new CZ that outclassed all competition. He led every lap in both legs until the last but he didn't show at the finish until five riders had taken the flag. A gear shift lever had broken off the CZ. Douglas Parks (Bultaco) running second all the way came in the winner.

Coming from West Palm Beach, Florida, to race was Johnny Lee (Bultaco). He won both legs in the open class, riding so smoothly that few knew he was leading. Jim Lutz (Bultaco) from Dallas ran second.

Californian Chuck Minert (BSA), nineth overall, ran the only four-cycle machine in the senior class. John DeSoto (Montesa) finished seventh overall in that class.

(Results on page 20)

LEFT: Czechoslovakian rider Vlastimil Valek shows the crowd how to do wheelies with a little class. Vlastimil is part of the Czech team that is competing throughout the USA in the American International Moto-cross series that ends in mid-December of 1968 in Southern California at Saddleback Park.

ELSINORE NIGHT LIFE

By Bob De Gasser
Photos by Manuel Burton

ELSINORE, Cal., Nov. 2 – 37x Johnny Sprague, one of the top riders in the country is the Number One at Elsinore. Spraque rides a 250cc super-fast Bultaco and the famed blue greased-lightning 650 Triumph. This week he took the 250 expert class 650 open, sweepstakes and the wheelie contest.

The wheelie event isn't an every week thing. But five dollars was offered to the best so a lot of boys tried.

Sprague watched for a while then jumped on the scooter and up, up, and away. The people went crazy.

Also riding great wheelies was E. Barker on his super greeves.

John Sprague wins almost everything he enters.

Brothers Steve, 168, and Mike Hoffee during practice.

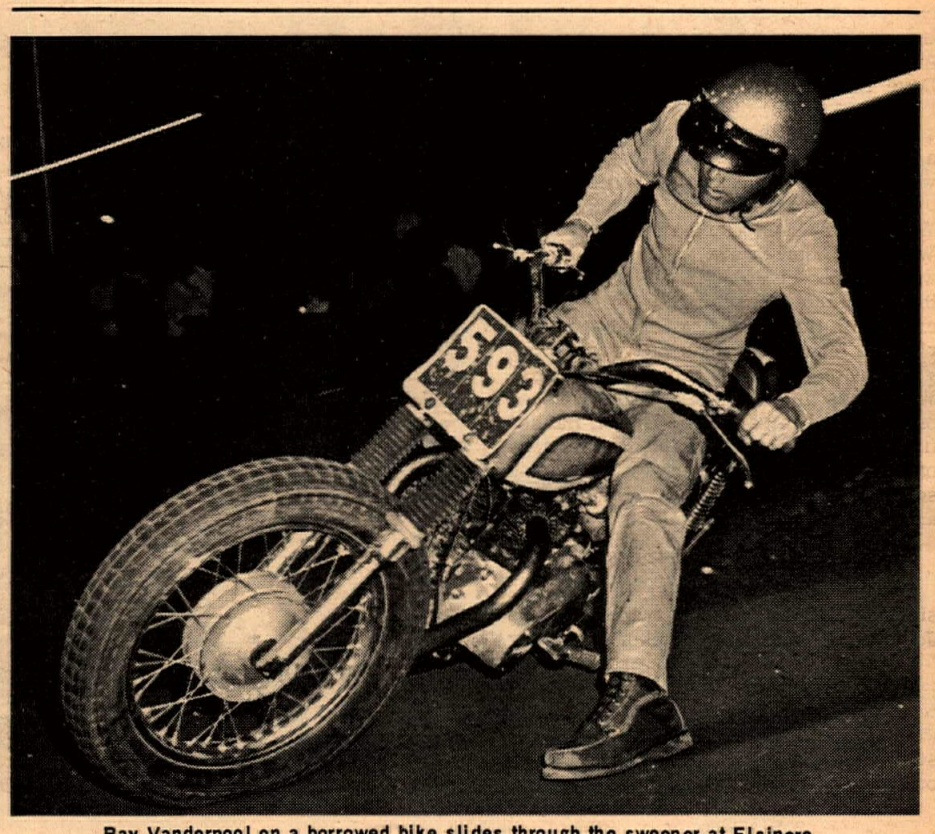
Bikes Beat Cars to La Paz

LA PAZ, Mex., Nov. 6 – Larry Bergquist and Gary Preston teamed up to bring a 1968 Honda CL-350 home in record time to win the Ensenada to La Paz run.

Another motorcycle team finished second – A.R. Rogers and Don Bohannon on a 650cc Triumph. Third was a Ford Bronco.

Bergquist and Preston finished the 832-mile race in 20 hours, 38 minutes.

Full coverage next issue. For results in the motorcycle classes, see page 20.



Ray Vanderpool on a borrowed bike slides through the sweeper at Elsinore.

RING TAKES FINAN

by Bill Harmer

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Oct. 27 – A newcomer to the Open Expert ranks, Ward Ring, who formerly confined his riding to the lighter weight classes, finds the Southbay Speedway course to his liking. He tooled his Bonneville Triumph to victory over point-leading Triumph pilot, Al Finan and Gold Star mounted Wayne Hosaka in the close Open Expert fracas here today.

With misfortune stalking 2nd place point holder Myron Carter in the form of a broken clutch, the pressure was off Finan. He didn't have to take unnecessary chances to maintain his season record.

The 250cc Novice Moto series resulted in an unusual situation – a three-way tie for second place. Kawasaki-mounted Wayne Clarke finished first in all three Motos. But in the first, Husqvarna rider Neil Pound edged Yamaha jockey Kevin Stafford out of second place. Randy Cushman tooled his Bultaco across second in the second Moto ahead of Pound. Then, Stafford took second away from Cushman on the third.

Perhaps the most improved rider in the Open Novice ranks, Rich Ribley, rode Mike Garrett's Gold Star to two wins to take top honors. A broken oil tank prevented him from finishing the final heat. Young Tim Leque brought his Bultaco Bandido in second and Don Emde, riding in the Open class for the first time, won the final Moto, capturing third for the event on a BSA Gold Star.

Larry Collie dominated the 200cc combined series on his Kawasaki. Honda-mounted Neal Hereth skillfully outclassed Richard Hosaka (Kawasaki) for second.

Old master Jim McGuire again pulled the "hat trick" in the 100cc Expert contest by easily winning all three Motos on his F&M Reed Valve Hodaka. Hodaka pilots Carl Byers and Mickey Chiara had their own private point battle for second position with Byers slightly ahead.

In the 100cc Novice Main Hodaka-rider Doug Maloney, greatly improved, won, while another Hodaka-pilot Brad Boyar took second over hard-riding Yamaha jockey Kevin Stafford.

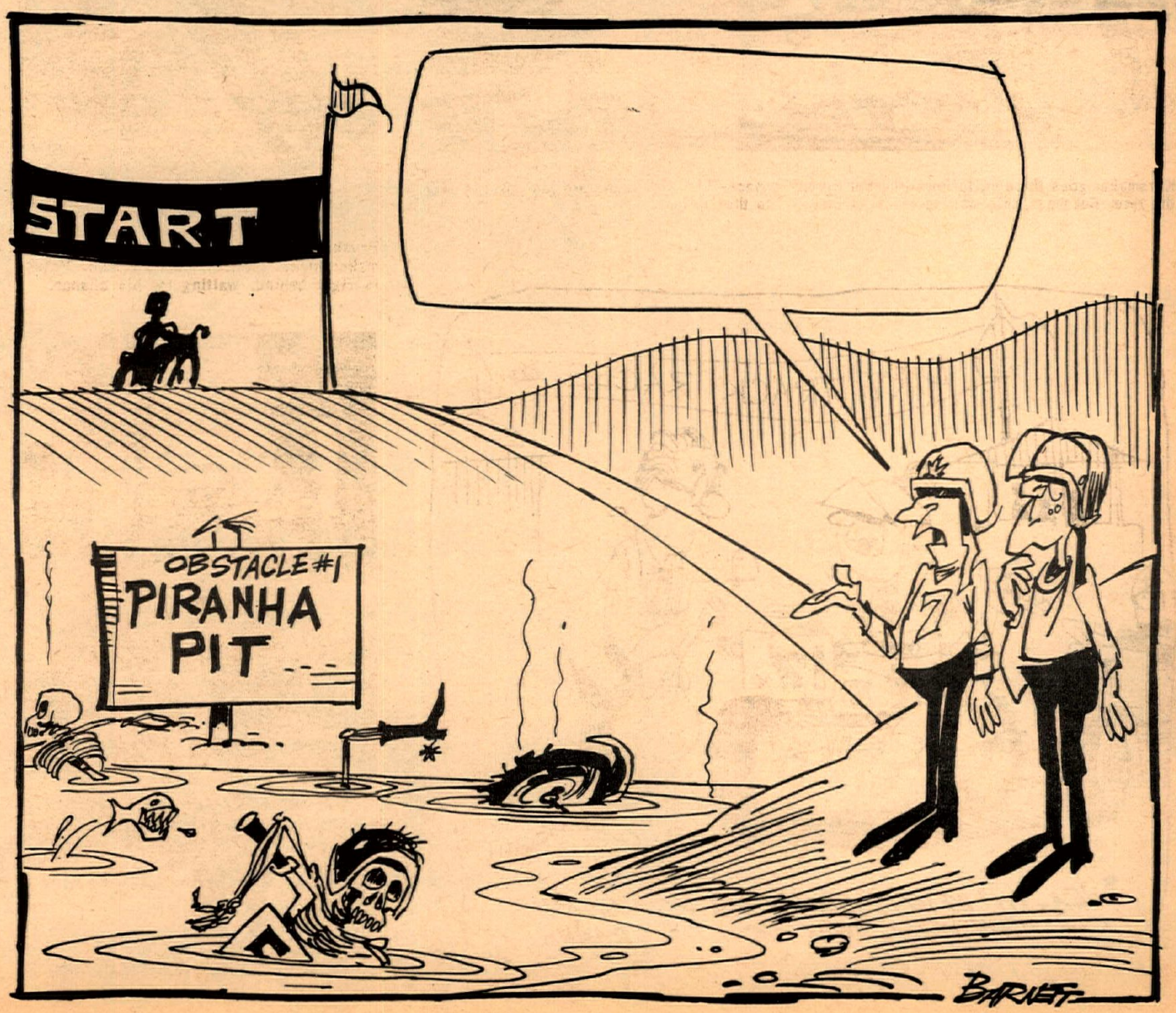
As usual, Carol Chiara captured the Powder Puff contest on her Hodaka, ahead of rapidly-improving Shirlee Newsom (Suzuki). Susan Faucher (Hodaka) rode to third.

This was the final Mesa M.C. TT program for 1968. The Experts M.C. will host their final race on Nov. 24th.

NEW "FINISH THE FUNNY" CONTEST

Cartoonist Jerry Barnett (alias "The Scarlet Streak") streaked out of our office on his 1948 side-valve BSA after delivering this cartoon, but he forgot to tell us what ol' Number 7 is saying. So once again we have to appeal to our readers for help. Won't you help us to finish the funny? You will? Wonderful!

Just unreel your sense of humor, flex your funnybone or whatever and write a joke line in the cartoon balloon. The funniest finish we receive before Thanksgiving, November 28, will win $5 in the form of spending money. Send your jokes to "Finish the Funny Contest, c/o Cycle News, Box 498, Long Beach, Calif. Maybe we can also get the winner a ringside seat on the Piranha Pit at the next Dirt-diggers scrambles.



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Welch Comes West, Takes Lions at 144 mph

By Dan Zeman

WILMINGTON, Cal., Nov. 10 – His name is Larry Welch and he rides a Sportster. In only one week of drag racing on the west coast, Larry has earned a reputation for putting his opponents back on the trailer.

Yesterday Larry returned to Irwindale and did the job to everybody he ran against, turning a best E.T. of 9.44. He then loaded up again, but only long enough for a 35-mile drive and a few hours sleep. His next stop was Lions Drag Strip here in Wilmington, where he unloaded again.

Round number one found "H-D. of Fullerton's" 74-incher staged with Disharoon's Sportster. The big 74-incher is a new bike, and as many of us know, new bikes usually develop bugs. This one did too, and without the right bug spray. The 74 loaded up, and by the time it cleaned out Disharoon was turning on the white lights at the finish line.

Next up was Bob Braverman and his twin-engine Kawasaki, next to Art Houston's Triumph. Bob's clutch was grabbing, but he finally got staged. Not for long, though. As he grabbed a handful of throttle it was too much to hold back and off he went, leaving Art waiting for the green light all by himself.

Next up to the starting line was Boris Murray, mounted on Gordon Kately's 55-inch Sportster. To his right was Jeff Gough on his Triumph. Boris staged first and the revs were up. But where was Jeff? A glance to the right told the whole story. Jeff was dismounting his bike. It had loaded up and the fire went out. So Boris took a single on that one.

Up came the last two bikes of round one. It was Ken Kotalac on his Vincent, and Larry Welch on his Harley-Davidson. They came out together, with Ken a shade ahead of Larry. The Harley started to get some real good bite, and it was just a matter of seconds before Larry crossed the finish line, turning on his win lights.

In about 30 minutes, the remaining four bikes were out in the staging area with fresh oil in their crankcases and a full tank of fuel. Sitting on the rollers and eagerly waiting the start were Art Houston and Boris Murray. The rollers were started and in a second or two both bikes were turning over. A flip of the ignition switches, and both engines fired. Then both bikes were on their way down the strip. It looked close. The finish lights came on and it showed Boris the winner.

Next up, and already fired, were Welch and Disharoon. Both bikes rolled up to the finish line and staged. Blink, blink, and on came the two greens. Both riders dropped the hammer and were on their way, both running strong. Larry's machine pulled strong at the Big End, getting him across the finish line well in front.

About 45 minutes, a coke and a hot dog later, both were ready to go. The greens came on, and both bikes lit their tires. Larry's burned half-way through, but he finally got some traction. He ate up the last inch of the 1320-foot strip with a 9.77 E.T., and turning 144 m.p.h. Boris finished, runner-up with a 10.99 E.T. and 133.77 m.p.h.

Most entries in stock street were in the 'B' and 'C' class. John Sprague took 'B' on a Triumph with a best E.T. of 13.54 and 98.00 m.p.h. 'C' class was won by Jack Linn, who had to pick on a Honda 450 ridden by a young lady, Carolyn Johnson, who was trying out drag racing for her first time, and Terry Lee, riding a Triumph 500.

Jack stopped the clock with a 14.43 E.T. and 90.89 m.p.h. Best Overall E.T. of all street classes was turned in by Will Hodges, with a 13.49 E.T. and 91.73 m.p.h. Will was mounted on his Sportster.

All of the action in modifed was in 'B' class with two bikes entered, both strong-running Triumph. One was ridden by young Joy Houston, the other by Grant Hannah. Joy, who usually has no problems taking class trophy, had them Sunday. Her problem was Grant. Both bikes run in the low twelves but Grant's ran just a little quicker, stopping the clocks at 12.23 and turning 109.09 m.p.h.

Moulders and Reese turned in the best time of the day for Gas Class with 11.49 E.T. and 116.80 m.p.h. on their bikes, "The Snortin' Norton" #2.

Then, with only a couple of runs to victory and the money, Reese piloted the "Snortin' Norton" out of the chute.

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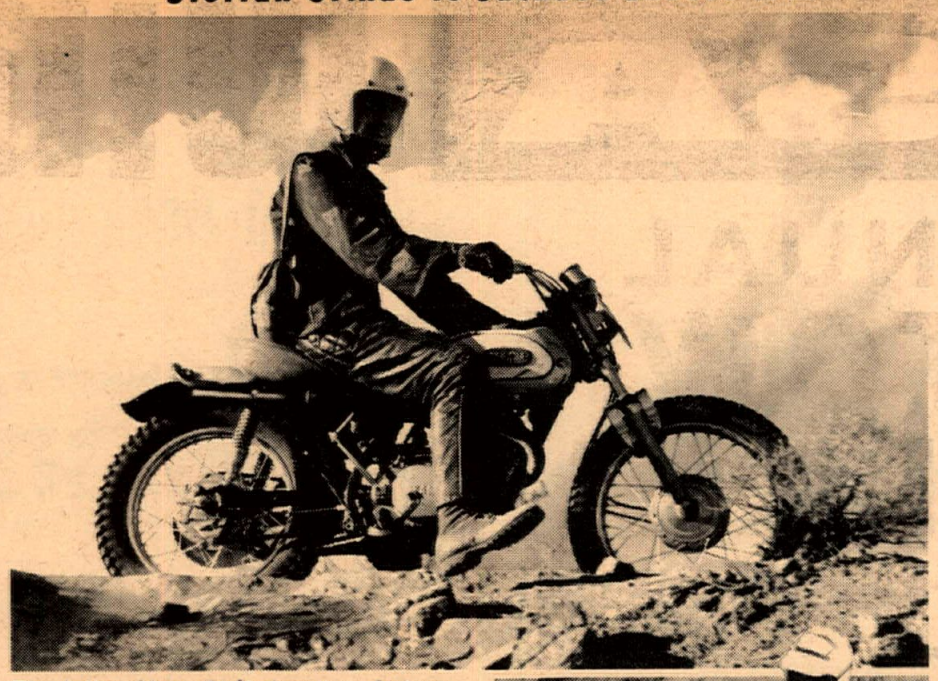
Steffan Grinds to Jackass Enduro Win



The better riders didn't drag their feet on these narrow trails that dropped off on both sides, they just stormed on in second gear, feet up.

Story and Photos by Dick Wright

RED MOUNTAIN, Cal., Nov. 3 – Triumph-mounted Bob Steffan won the 100-mile Jackass Enduro with a loss of only three points. This made the 1968 race for District 37 Number One Enudro rider a very close one between Steffan, 1967 champ, and Dick Chase, 1966 champ.

It was the second win for Steffan, the other was the Prospectors M.C. Gold Rush Enduro. Chase also has two – the Shamrock Enduro and the Greenhorn.

The Jackass run, sponsored by the Foothill Hawks M.C., was the last of the season, so the district championship will be decided as soon as these results are tallied. Before the race it was Dick Chase leading Gene Burcham next in line, then Bob Steffan, followed by John Steen and Lyle Taylor.

This 48-year-old rider is just starting his desert career.

Enduros are becoming popular with the entire family because it's not a race of speed. Each rider tries to maintain the speed set for each section of the course. This is sometimes hard when the course gets rough but no one is pushing. And everyone gets a good scenic ride, especially if the weather is close to perfect, as it was at Red Mountain, 50 miles north of Mojave.

Lloyd Larson, #1A, was among the first of 490 riders to go off – at seven A.M. Lloyd, over 60, has been riding enduros for years.

There were five riders to a group, three riders to a team. A group was set off every minute. The Chase Team was made up of Dick Chase, Bud Houseman and Frank Chase. The Steffan Team had Bobby Steffan Jr., his dad and John Murrin.

The course headed north for the first 50-mile loop, passed the eerie Pinnacles, a high, spiral rock formation, then back around to the left through tight sand-washes and rocky fire roads to the pits.

A quick lunch is possible for anyone on time at the noon check. A half hour is provided for eating, gasing up, and starting the second half. And not many riders were early to the check.

Cluttered Hill

On the second loop it was harder to stay on time. There was one steep, sandy downhill about 300 yards long and so rough they had the tie-breaker check at the bottom. Only a few riders were on time there.

Bobby Steffan Jr. was one. He just pulled over to the right side of the cluttered hill, let his Greeves go, and held on to get to the bottom on time. Bobby zeroed in on all the checks until coming to the wall-to-wall rock wash. His team was a little late and he took his eye off his watch, allowing the 250cc Greeves to get away with him.

He came to the secret check four minutes hot, losing eight points all at one time and blowing a possible win, as there were the only points he lost.

Bob Steffan Sr. took the Sweepstakes win, coming in at about noon after 4-1/2 hours of riding. Husky-mounted George Green, was the second place winner, losing four points. He took B-Lightweight honors. Lyle Taylor, was third on a Triumph, losing five points. Phil Bowers on a Yamaha was first A-Lightweight with a loss of six points.

Sixteen-year-old Mark Heacox was the first A-Trail Bike in, losing 11 points. Dana Austin was first B-Heavyweight, with a 13-point loss.

The Team Trophy went to the Steffan team. Al Schultz took the First out-of-state trophy. Elenor Houseman was First Girl, losing only 89 points – and on her own clock because her husband Bud ran with a team ten minutes later. E. Gardner, won the Stick-With-It Trophy, losing 456 points.

There were family teams like Lynn Wilson with her 12-year-old son and Paul Redwood with his son Bill placing 14th and 15th each on a Greeves.

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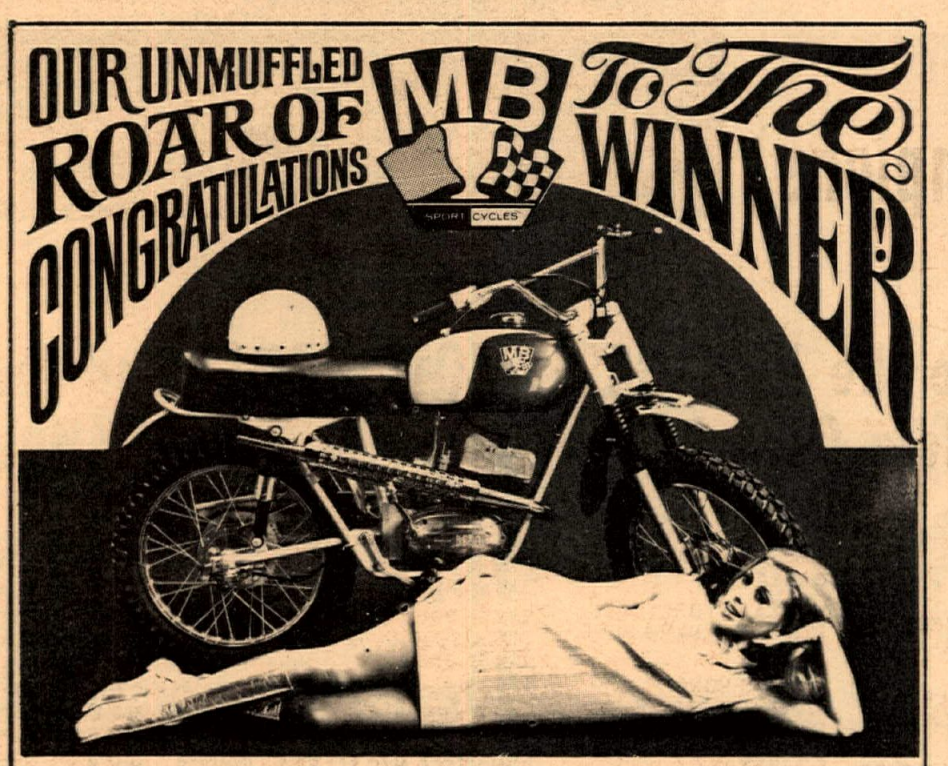
At the finish, the Foothills Hawks record two riders trying to get in on the same minute.



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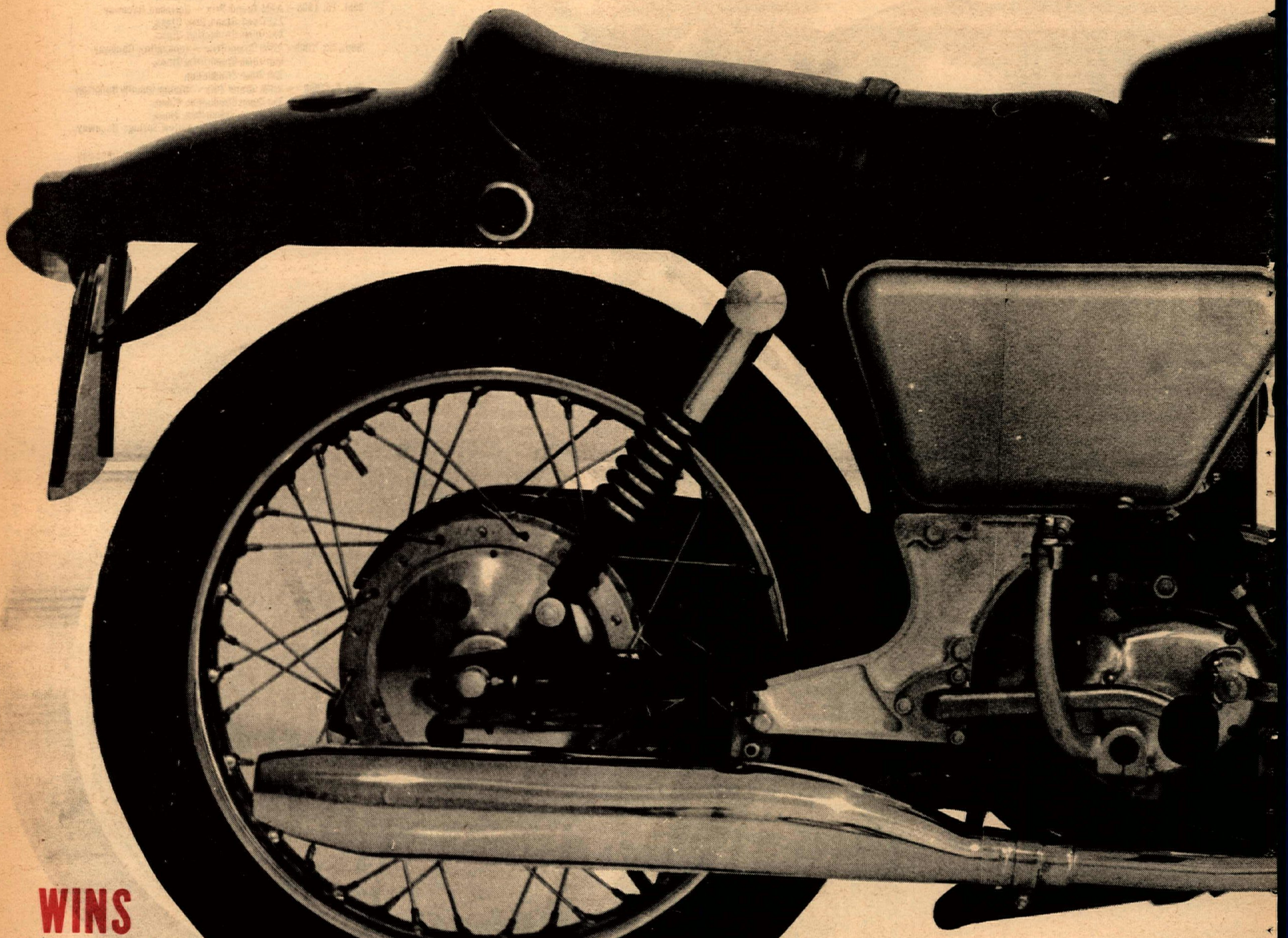

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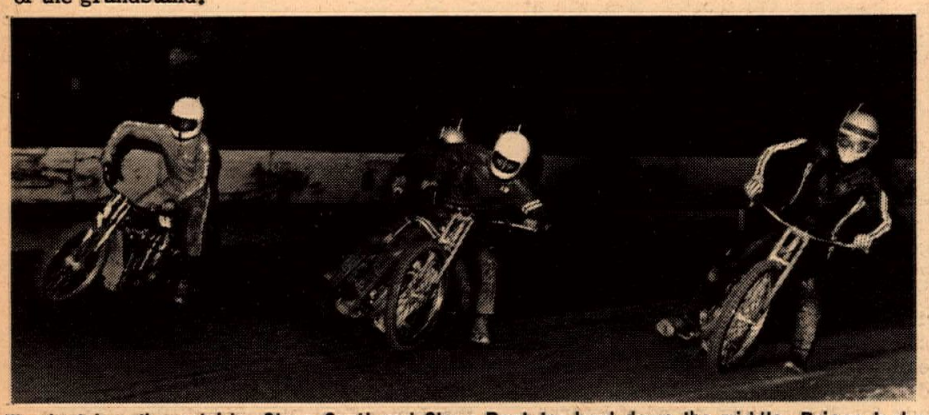
Briggs All Alone At Whiteman

By John Grout

Barry Briggs, the four time World Champion of International dirt track racing, again plowed the field at Whiteman Stadium last Saturday night. In a spectacular night of slip and slide, the phantom Kiwi did everything except stand on his head and scratch his ear in front of the grandstand.

Rick Woods leads Ronnie Arnold.



Woods takes the outside, Steve Scott and Steve Bast try hard down the middle. Briggs looks calm on the inside.

Half Get Trophies at Bushmasters Moto

Story and Photos by Rich Walden

BEAUMONT, Cal., Nov. 3 – The Bushmasters held their third and best moto-cross event of the year in Lamb Canyon, two miles south of here. Over 60 riders competed in nine motos, 31 picking up trophies for their efforts.

The first 100cc moto saw young Steve Nichols really doing the deed. This expert TT rider took an early lead on his Yamaha.

Mid-way along the TT rider began to tire and Cook, who rides the desert and is used to the long runs, began to gain. But it was a case of too little too late as Nichols won with about a 50-yard lead.

The second moto was a different story. Nichols took the lead again but led for only one lap before Larry Cook really turned it on and passed Nichols on the straight.

One rough downhill made the difference. Cook made it almost half way down with his front wheel in the air trying to catch up. Nichols crashed on the hill. He might have won too, because the coil bracket broke on Cook's machine on the last lap putting him out of contention.

Now Jim Sharp on a Yamaha and Bill Dean, Bultaco, who had been really fighting it out for third, had a clear field and crossed the finish line side-by-side to tie for first followed by Elvin Cook.

The third moto saw Elvin Cook lead the first lap on his Yamaha. Right behind Elvin came Larry Cook and Steve Nichols followed by Bill Dean and Jim Sharp. Larry Cook took the lead on the second lap and held it until his machine seized in the fifth. Elvin won it, followed by Nichols. Jim Sharp passed Bill Dean on the fifth lap to take third, Dean fourth.

When the points were totaled Elvin Cook came out the winner with Steve Nichols second, Jim Sharp third and Bill Dean fourth.

Bob Riley has won the 250cc class in all previous Bushmaster moto-cross events. In fact, he has won every moto. It looked like a repeat performance today as he took an early lead in the first moto followed by Freddy Edwards.

Edwards' Gyt-kit Yamaha clearly had more power than any other 250cc but his throttle was coming loose. When he finally did get into the lead on the tenth lap his bars went down and the throttle came clear off. The win passed to Riley, whose Greeves was giving out on him. Tom Rapp had come all the way from ninth place on his Husky to finish third.

The second moto saw Riley's Greeves without any power and Edwards ran away from the rest of the pack. Don Grieve on a new Yamaha took second, followed by Rapp and J. Kopp.

Jim Francis on Greeves leans toward his flying front wheel.

The third 250cc moto was almost a repeat of the second. Edwards won easily, second was again taken by Rapp. They were followed by Bill Harris, in his first race, on a new Husky.

Overall points for the three motos gave the win to Edwards with Rapp second, Riley third and Harris fourth.

Lost A Nut

Six make a class so there were enough 125cc and 175cc machines to qualify. Rich Walden took the first moto but when his Maico lost a nut in the second Danny Flores, who was also in his first race, went on to take top honors with his Penton. He was followed by Milton Hayes, also on a Penton, and Kawasaki-mounted Bob Brown.

There was only one rider in the open class so Jim Myer got an easy trophy on his big Triumph. The 500 class, running at the same time, was a little harder.

First place in each moto was taken by Maico rider Doug Templeton with a crushing lead. Second in all three motos was Ducati-mounted Dave Gruver.

In the first moto Mike Seitz was third on his Montesa followed by Oren Hutchinson's BSA. The second moto looked like a carbon copy of the first until Hutchinson grabbed third from Seitz in the sixth lap and held it until the end. The third moto was again Templeton, Gruver and Seitz as Hutchinson's BSA stopped once more while he was in second place.

The overall results gave it to Templeton, Gruver, Seitz and Hutchinson, in that order.

The last Bushmasters moto-cross of the year is on November 24.

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SCRAMBLIN AROUND

By Maureen Lee

Said an awed spectator coming through the gate Sunday and seeing the hydro "Miss Bardahl" in the parking lot; "Don't tell me the Dirt Diggers are having boat races this year." Knowing the 'Diggers and their history at Corriganville we know how this guy felt. Every year the race keeps getting bigger and better. Who knows what they'll come up with next.

Another wallop on the head was made by the English for all that lovely tea dumped into Boston Harbor some years back. Although just riding exhibition they rather socked it to the local group.

Mike Rendich leading in the 100 Novice class drops a chain in the mud and sand wash.

Don and Derek Rickman were observed chucking away rocks on the outside of the tree on turn two Sunday. "That's where I'm going," said Derek and he did, passing half the troops right there. In under three laps and from a back row start he and Don were second and third with Brian Wade first.

Factory Greeves rider Brian Wade was great to watch. On Saturday, again from the back row, he overtook the whole field and nailed Steve Scott on the last lap for first although Steve is still the official winner. Said one rider, "I had the uncomfortable feeling he could have done it earlier if he'd wanted to."

Sunday, Wade approached the mud hole and in trying to be a nice guy by not drowning out someone else as he wasn't competing for real, got drowned out himself. The whole weekend was a great shot in the arm for Greeves who we feel have been too long underestimated in these here parts. Anyone who saw Wade ride can't say Greeves' aren't fast enough.

Those two Rickman-BSA's with the conversion kit flat went, once again making some of us wonder why the "Colonies" get different Victors than they keep at home.

The two green-shirted Englishmen had a completely different line through the first gully and around the tree than anyone else except Wade. But when a couple of the local talent tried it, it didn't work.

District 37 President Ron Sloan honks it on to keep ahead of Mike Haney.

They didn't have it honked on hard enough.

Odds 'N' Ends

Saturday with #33 Red Dot member Dave Rodgers laughing at the crowd while stuck in the wash after drowning out and fellow Red Dotter #6 Jim Nausha riding in tennis shoes...Don Afflack looking like he ran into Cassius Clay after going down in the 101-200 class crashing up his gorgeous little Van Tech Kawasaki and himself...the crowd cheering Open Novice Lana Paige through the mud hole Sunday with Lana and her Triumph making some of her fellow male riders looking squirrely in it, she was so good... there were a few too many crashes in that class but the thought of a win at Corriganville tends to make the most cautious of riders throw caution to the wind...how about all those 250cc scooters in the 350 class...after the first lap in the sidehack class the hillsides resembled the beach at Anzio, there were crashed hacks all over the place and even the formidable "Penguin" went off a cliff and although we've been sworn to secrecy we're going to tell – those guys have FUN riding...there's Gene Smith the only man we've seen who can handle a Triumph like it was a lightweight... Ronnie Nelson (Montesa) and one of our great hopes in moto-cross who had the bad luck to break a chain but he's still ready for the western round of Internationals coming up...Eddie Mulder (C-Z) getting a hand full of dirt thrown on him in the second gully, shaking his head and just motoring on...District 37's Prez Ron Sloan fresh off the plane from Spain flying until he whacked a tree knocking an oil line loose...Jim Goldsmith falling in the mudhole twice and his buddy Red Ludsford's comment: "When he sees water he doesn't know what to do with it." (Red finished but we hear he lurked behind bushes for four laps and then pulled back out) but mud and all Goldie is still our hero...Dusty Coppage really doing 'em in in the Open class even to the point of being able to stop for water and then later having so many people in his truck for a trip to the parking lot we'll bet he set a record for how many bodies you can get in one pickup...the arguments that always follow a race like this such as "My wife kept lap charts and she says I got first (or second, third etc.).

Scrambler Ben Fakkeldy lofts it up higher out of the gully than desert rider Don Bohannan.

Awards For The Day

The Dirt Diggers award "Instant Death" to two people. One for the idiot who turned on the water faucet in the mud hole Saturday night while the club was in town eating making them spend hours later by the light from headlights getting wall to wall water out of the wash so it could be used next day...too many people worked too many hours for that kind of stuff to be pulled...maybe next year there won't be anyone allowed to camp on the ranch but club members. Second death award goes to the kid who deliberately dropped a big rock on the head of one of the Junior Dirt Diggers splitting his head open...it was serious but it could have been fatal.

Our own awards go to hundreds of people...the riders themselves who supported the race more than ever (over 1100) with all that crowd Saturday let alone Sunday and to the Dirt Diggers themselves. This includes wives and kids as they all worked as a team and to the Powder Puff Association members who helped sign in riders. And to President Jim Peterson who worries so much each year he should take tranquilizers (and share 'em around) but is so proud of his group he radiates and practically sends out beeping sounds; and to Sam Crooks who Saturday was in charge of the track and again Sunday of sign up, protests etc. He ended up with blisters...the loneliest flagman out in the boonies is as important to the whole effort as the starter. Cheers, group! What's planned for next year?

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SPROCKETS RACE
Bakersfield, Cal., Sun., Oct. 27, 1968

By Emie Winslow

90cc NOVICE
Ron Powell Yam
Don Andreatta Hod
Larry Fairbanks Hon
Chris Rice Bul
Andy Wilson Hod

90 AM./EXPERT
Frank Roseberry Kaw
Joe Roseberry Kaw
Dale Hopkins Suz
Randy Smith Hon
Dana Thompson Suz

175-200 NOVICE
Gary Walker Bul
Don Bailey Bri
Jay Davis Bri
Roger Davidson Bul

250 NOVICE
Randy Colby H-D
Dan Colby Bul
Ron Powell H-D
Mike Hannah Bul
Pat Colby Bul

250 AM./EXPERT
Ken Wise H-D
Harvey Bakker Bul
Jeff Johnson Suz
Stan Mills Mon
Max Carpenter Bul

350-500 NOVICE
David Gardiner Hon
Tom Shumard BSA
Larry Cunningham BSA
Gil Robbins R-E
Steve Wheeler Hon

500-AM./EXP.
Mike Keen Mat
Ron Spillman Duc
Stan Sibley Bul
Jack Monger Bul

OPEN NOV./AM.
Midge Griffith Nor
Darrell McCaulley BSA
Bill Lamb Tri
David Rogers Tri
Ray McAllister Tri

OPEN EXPERT
Alex Chrzanowski Tri
Carroll Jackson BSA
Ron Pierce Tri
Rick Elizarraras BSA

RATTLESNAKE ENDURO
Klamath, Cal.

By Tom Dilling

SWEEPSTAKES WINNER
Byrel Zollo Hus

0-100 NOVICE
1. Donald Bobbet Hod
2. Leon Warren Hod
3. Ruby Tantare Bul

0-100 EXPERT
1. Paul Murphy Hod

101-200 NOVICE
1. Ozzie Tiefenbaugh Kaw

201-350 NOVICE
1. Ted McKenzie Yam
2. Don Price Yam
3. Dough Stevens Bul

201-350 EXPERT
1. Elton Law Yam

351 OPEN NOVICE
1. Mel Thomas Tri
2. Darrell White BSA

351 OPEN EXPERT
1. Byrel Zollo Hus

TEAM WINNERS
Ron Kelly Hon
Darrell White BSA
Don Price Yam

WOMAN'S TROPHY
Jill Pade Yam

ELSINORE RESULTS
Sat., Nov. 2, 1968

By Bob DeGasser

200 NOVICE
D. Hopkins Suz
K. Tennis Hod

350 NOVICE
L. Bochkay Hon
B. Mayer Hon

500 & OPEN NOVICE
R. Jenehs Tri
G. Nord BSA

100 EX.
D. Hopkins Suz
K. Tennis Hod
D. White Suz

250 EX.
J. Sprague Bul
V. Hannan Kaw

OPEN EX.
J. Sprague Tri
E. Barker Gre
V. Hannan (tie) Kaw
T. LaFortune Tri

100 NOV. 1 MOTO
D. White Suz
F. Steffen Yam
C. Yokum Hod

100 NOV. 2 MOTO
J. Freis Bri
L. Bird Yam
S. Wright Hod

PERRIS NIGHT TT SCRAMBLES
Sat., Nov. 2, 1968

By Kirk McDowell

50cc
Steve Nichols Yam
Jay Lewis Yam
Jeff Sexton Hon

100cc NOV. A MOTO
George Luther Yam
Rob Morrison Yam
Richard Matthews M-B

100cc NOV. B MOTO
Keith Miller Hod
Ron Bell Hod
Bruce Alford Suz

100cc NOV. C MOTO
Jim McKay Kaw
Toby Vanford M-B
John Smith Hon

100cc AM./EXPERT
Steve Nichols Yam
Bob Fruenberger Suz
Bob Sanders Yam

200cc
Loyal Penn Bul
Whitney Blakeslee Tri
Bruce Kussork Yam

250cc NOV. A MOTO
Doug Mason Yam
Tim Abshier Yam
Arnold Von Velasco Bul

250cc NOV. B MOTO
Bill Bartels H-D
Rick Talbot H-D
Bob Greenstreet Bul

250cc EX./AM.
Loyal Penn Yam
Vince Graves Bul
Gary McKenzie Bul

350cc NOVICE
Wayne Whisenant H-D
Rick Talbot H-D
Bill Bartels H-D

COMBINED OPEN AM./EX.
Ron Killingsworth Bul
Tony Denius H-D
Ray Nichols Mai

AFM ROAD RACING POINT STANDINGS—OVERALL—
16 National Meetings

Pete Giordanengo, S. San Francisco, Cal.	129 pts.
Mike Lane, Bakersfield, Calif.	121
Ron Grant, Brisbane, Calif.	111
Reg Pridmore, Santa Barbara, Cali.f	102
David Scott, Daly City, Calif.	74
James Chen, Compton, Calif.	69
Tom Howard, Los Angeles, Calif.	66
Tom Cleghorn, Menlo Park, Calif.	62
Art Baumann, San Francisco, (5 wins)	57
Dick Kilgroe, Los Angeles, (3 wins)	57

AFM MOTO-CROSS POINT STANDINGS—OVERALL — 7 National Meetings

Gary Bailey, Compton, Calif.	85 pts.
Lars Larsson, San Diego, Calif.	60
Russ Darnell, Canoga Park, Calif.	37
Walt Axthelm, Pomona, Cal. (2 classes)	25
Ron Nelson, Palmdale, Cal. (1 class)	25
J.N. Roberts, Canoga Park, Calif.	22
Gary Conrad, Palmdale, Calif.	17
Tim Hart, Torrance, Calif.	16
Jerry Mathel, Lakeside, Calif.	12
John DeSoto, Los Angeles, Calif.	

PERRIS SAT. NIGHT RACES
Sat., Nov. 9, 1968

By Kirk McDowell

50cc
Kirk McDowell Suz
Jack Dannenberg Yam
Gary Caldwell Suz

100 NOV. A MOTO
Richard Matthews M-B
Bob Sanders Yam
Peter Haas Suz

100 NOV. B MOTO
George Luther Yam
Keith Miller Hod
Tom Archbold Hon

100 NOV. C MOTO
Bruce Alfred Suz
Gary McKeon Kaw
Steve Mudd Mis

100 AM. & EX.
Bob Frauenberger Suz
Chuck Claydon Suz
Richard Sweeney Kaw

200cc
Loyal Penn Bul
Andy Skeel Tri
Neil Winston Bul

250 NOV.
Doug Mason Yam
Tim Abshier Yam
Bob Greenstreet Bul

350cc
Doug Mason Yam
Bob Rudd Hon
Paul Lass Bul

500 & 650 NOV.
Neil Winston Bul
Don Corbett Tri
Dave Brant BSA

OPEN AM. & EX.
Butch Landguth Tri
Vince Graves Bul
Mike Posey BSA

BIGFOOT ENDURO
Sun., Oct. 27, 1968

By Tom Dilling

100cc B
1. Billy Huett Hon
2. Loren Olson Sac
3. Bill Roloff Yamg
4. Eugene Nunes Hod

200cc A
1. Paul Murphy Hod
2. Roger Smart Pen

200cc B
1. Henry Keough Sac
2. Thomas Graham Sac

250cc A
1. Troy Durham Yam
2. William Onga Hus

250cc B
1. Mark Stover Bul
2. Greg Bames Yam

OPEN "A"
1. Alvin Bennett Tri
2. Martin Devries Hus
3. Red Cadwell BSA
4. Byrel Zollo Hus
5. Ed Nielsen Hus

OPEN "B"
1. Conrad Williams BSA
2. Glenn Reed Hus
3. Donald Sproull Gre

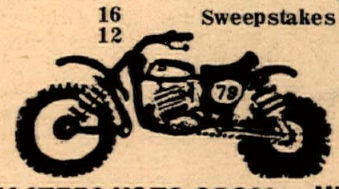
TEAM TROPHY
William Onga
Martin Devries
Rodger Smart

CLUB PARTICIPATION TROPHY
Dirt Diggers North M.C., Sacramento — 21 Riders

WOMAN'S CLASS
Harriet Parmeter Hon

REBEL ROUSERS 2nd MYSTERY TOUR
Sun., Oct. 27, 1968

Largest Club: Ace of Club
Best Dressed Club: Lucky Wheels
High Percent Club: Silver Eagles
Best Dressed Family: The Porterfields
Best Dressed Couple: Bob & Betty Newman
Best Dressed Male: Lucky Beauchesne
Best Dressed Female: Brandy Cash
Oldest Rider: John Toussaint (61 yrs.)
Long Distance Rider: Leroy Dean (430 mi.)
33rd Entry: Eddie Alford
Bike Judging:
Over 1000cc: Albert Johnson
Under 1000cc: Johnny Vines
Tug-o-war: John Matyjasek
Games: Mr. & Mrs. Gordeon Bergholz
Sue & Doug Bruce
Nancy Schwartz
Cathy Mills
Raffle: Jerry Klett
Poker Hands:
Male Solo 1. Bob Delorto
2. Mike Gallegos
3. Robert Bragan
4. Ray Gree
Female Solo 1. Shirley Sentell
2. Connie Kuehlewind
3. Audrey Wingfield
Passenger 1. Vicki Lotus
2. Murtilla Parker
3. Mavis Becker
Sweepstakes 1. Murtilla Parker
2. Tom Ott
3. Doc Whitlock



BUSHMASTERS MOTO-CROSS
Sun., Nov. 3, 1968

100cc CLASS
*1. Elvin Cook Yam 794
*2. Steve Nichols Yam 722
*3. James Sharp Yam 696
*4. William Dean Jr. Bul 670
*5. Larry Cook Yam 440
*6. Terry Hughes Hod 297
*7. Steve Stark Hod 274
*8. Rick Shittleworth Hod 243
*9. Dirk Wambold Hod 238
*10. Phil McDonald Hod 141
*11. David Grisham Yam 126

OPEN CLASS
*1. Jim Myer Tri 800

500cc CLASS
*1. Doug Templeton Mai 1200
*2. Dave Gruver Duc 900
*3. Michael Seitz Mon 619
*4. Oren Hutchinson BSA 447
*5. Phil Seitz BSA 423
*6. Ed Wight Mai 180

175cc CLASS
*1. Danny Flores Pen 1100
*2. Milton Hayes Pen 725
*3. Bob Brown Kaw 652
4. Rich Walden Mai 527
5. John McDonald Bul 349
6. Rick Swope 169

250cc CLASS
*1. Freddy Edwards Yam 1100
*2. Tom Rapp Hus 652
*3. Bob Riley Gre 590
*4. Bill Harris Hus 465
*5. Don Grieve Yam 428
*6. J. Kopp Yam 368
*7. Phil Wood Yam 225
*8. Jack Johnson Yam 220
*9. Warren Burdine Yam 177
*10. Edwin Abbott Yam 125

*Denote Trophy Winners

ADELANTO T.T.
Sun., Nov. 3, 1968

By Erma Redding

100cc NOVICE
1. Kirk Travis Bri
2. Ron Powell Yam
3. Mark Blackwell Yam
4. Jeff Sexton Hon

100cc AM./EXPERT
1. Earl E. Roloff Yam
2. Harry Bevans Hod
3. Larry Shaw Hod

200cc
1. Neil Winston Bul
2. Don Bevans Pen
3. Rich Cuellar Hon
4. John Holbrook Oss

250cc NOVICE
1. Ron Ringer Kaw
2. Neil Winston Bul
3. Chet Burt Bul
4. Fred L. Leas Yam

250 AM./EXP.
1. Jim Bassy Suz
2. Gary Grayson Yam
3. Karl Wilson Bul
4. Don Ivan Bul

500cc
1. Sandy Armstrong Bul
2. Jim Bassy Mai
3. George Thibault Tri
4. Bob Turke —

OPEN
1. Butch Rotz Tri
2. Dick Allen Tri
3. Jim Maupin Tri
4. Tom Shumard BSA

MEXICAN 1000, ENSENADA TO LA PAZ
Mon. to Thurs., Nov. 4-7, 1968

CLASS 7
MOTORCYCLES UP TO 250cc
Steve Holladay Hus
James Martino —
Gail Ferrel Hon
Jack Froelich —
George Zuber Yam
Ron Bishop
Dunford & Moto Hus
Steve Scott Bul
Doyle Fields

CLASS 8
MOTORCYCLES OVER 250cc
Larry Bergquist Hon
Gary Preston
A.R. Rogers Tri
Don Bohannon
Bob Ewing BSA
Mike Konie
Max Switzer H-D
Paul Hunt
Doug Douglas Duc
Bill Vdiando

DEADMANS MOTO-CROSS
Sun., Oct. 27, 1968

By Bill Pettigrew

125cc JUNIOR
1. Mike Payse Bul
2. Don Elde Hod
3. Bill Pettigrew Hod

250 JUNIOR
1. Robert Paxton Yam
2. Pat McGuire Hus
3. Jimmy Hall —
4. Dennis Keefe Hus
5. Ron Peterson Yam

500cc
1. Dennis Keefe Hus
2. Don Hill Hus
3. Nick Gula —
4. Don Mardon —

500cc SENIOR
1. Gary Bailey Pen

125cc SENIOR
1. Gary Bailey Pen
2. Norm Benham Hod

250cc SENIOR
1. Ron Miller Hus

FOOTHILL HAWKS M.C. JACKASS ENDURO
Sunday, Nov. 3, 1968

By Dick Wright

1. Bob Steffan	1st	A	Hvy	Tri	3 Pts.
2. Geo. Green	1st	B	L twt	Hus	4
3. Lyle Taylor	2nd	A	Hvy	Tri	5
4. Phil Bowers	1st	A	L twt	Yam	6
5. Tom Maxwell	3rd	A	Hvy	Nor	7
6. Bud Howseman	4th	A	Hvy	Nor	7
7. Tom Ruddy	2nd	B	L twt	Kaw	7
8. Richard Eddy	5th	A	Hvy	Tri	7
9. John Murrin		A	Hvy	Hon	7
10. Mike Patrick		A	Lt	Yam	8
11. Bob Steffan Jr.	3rd	A	Lt	Gre	8
12. Dick Chase		A	Hvy	Nor	8
13. Dick Ohlefeld		A	Hvy	Tri	9
14. Bill Redwood		A	Lt	Gre	9
15. Paul Redwood		A	Lt	Gre	10
16. Mark Heacox	1st	A	Trail	Hod	10
17. Mike Adams		A	Trail	Hod	12
18. Dana Austin	1st	B	Hvy	Mat	13
19. Ralph Adams		A	Trail	Hod	13
20. Bob Nickelsen	1st	B	Trail	Hod	13
21. Jim Arney		B	Hvy	Gre	13
22. Wendell Elliott		A	Hvy	Tri	14
23. Frank Chase		A	Hvy	Nor	14
24. Marvin Parry		A	Lt	Gre	15
25. Pete Smith		A	Lt	Yam	15

1st A TEAM
Bob Steffan Jr. 18
Bob Steffan Sr.
John Murrin

1st B TEAM
Dana Austin 47
Dave Garrett
Jim Arney

1st Out-of-State
Al Schultz B-Hvy, 158 Overall BSA

1st Girl
Eleanor Houseman B-Trail, 228 O. Hod 89

Stick-With-It-Finish
E. Gardner B Hvy Mon 456

500cc MOTO-CROSS
Dallas, Texas
Sun., Nov. 10, 1968

By James E. Brammer

500cc SR. OVERALL

1. Joel Robert, Belgium	C-Z	2
2. Torleif Hansen, Sweden	Hus	4
3. Dave Bickers, England	C-Z	8
4. Vlaslimil Valek, Czech.	C-Z	10
5. Gunner Lindstrom, Sweden	Hus	13
6. Pierre Karsmaker, Holland	Hus	15
7. John DeSoto, California	Mon	19
8. Bill Silverthorn, USA	Hus	20
9. Chuck Minnert, California	BSA	21
10. Glen Vincent, USA	Oss	24
11. Gene Gomner		21
12. Gene Fetty, Texas	Hus	27

OPEN CLASS, OVERALL

1. Johnny Lee, W. Palm Beach	Bul	2
2. Jim Lutz, Texas	Bul	4
3. Herman Steuber		7
4. Jerry Warren		9
5. L. Campbell		11
6. Sam Bocess		15
7. Robert Hurley		15

500cc JUNIOR CLASS, OVERALL

1. Douglas Parks	Bul	3
2. Don Prouse		5
3. Joe Joiner, Dallas, Texas	C-Z	6
4. Don Kirk		11
5. Robert McLane		13

LIONS DRAG STRIP
Wilmington, Cal., Sun., Nov. 10, 1968

By Dan Zeman

TOP BIKE:
Larry Welch 9.77—144.00 H-D
RUNNER UP:
Kateley & Murray 10.69—136.77 H-D
TOP STREET:
Will Hodges 13.49— 91.73 H-D
TOP MODIFIED:
Grant Hannah 12.23—109.09 Tri
TOP GAS:
Moulders & Reese 11.49—116.80 Nor

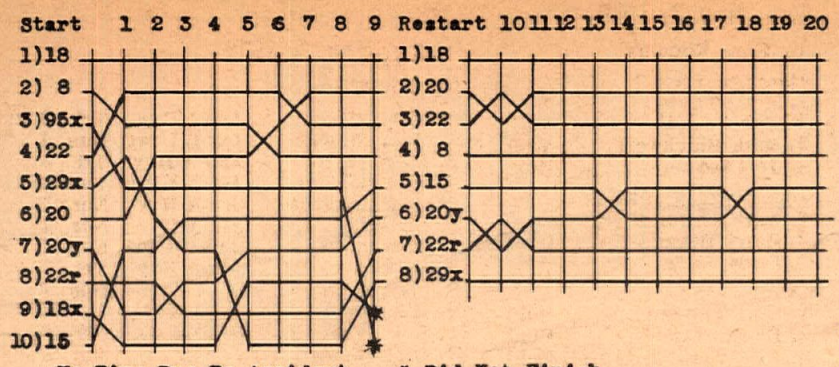
STREET:
A — Will Hodges 13.49— 91.73 H-D
B — John Sprague 13.54— 98.00 Tri
C — Jack Linn 14.43— 90.89 Suz
D — Steve Glenn 16.51— 89.73 Kaw
E — J. Weinroth 17.25— 71.94 Suz
F — R. Young 10.10— 62.80 Bri

MODIFIED:
AA — D. Dressler 16.21— 81.69 H-D
A — Henry Mynatt 12.82—105.05 H-D
B — Grant Hannah 12.23—109.09 Tri
F — T. Thurman 16.93— 71.77 Kaw

GAS:
A — Troy Peques 12.18—110.00 H-D
B — Moulders & Reese 11.49—116.80 Nor
E — Vince Rowles 12.31—108.04 Suz
F — Zeman & Spivack 16.94— 77.74 Suz

SIDEHACK: Neubrand 16.96— 77.92 BMW

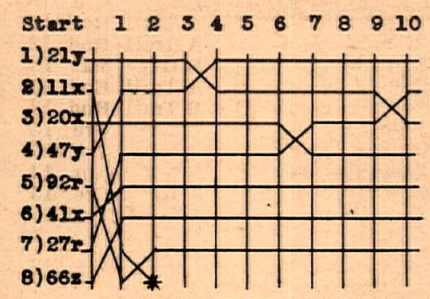
ASCOT 20-LAP EXPERT CALIF. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP LAP CHARTS by Carol Sims



Finish
1)18 Mert Lawwill (H-D)
2)20 Gene Romero (Tri)
3)22 Dan Haaby (H-D)
4) 8 Shorty Seabourne (BSA)
5)15 Ralph White (BSA)
6)20y Lloyd Houchins (BSA)
7)22r Bruce Holland (Tri)
8)29x Carl Patrick (BSA)
9)18x Phil Todd (BSA) *
10)95x Clyde Litch (Tri) *

No Time Due To Accident * Did Not Finish

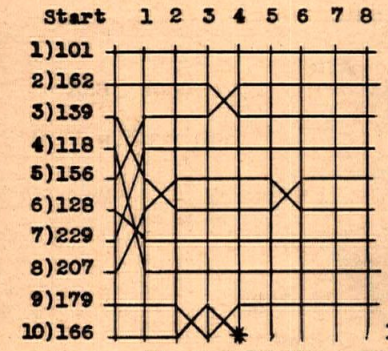
10-LAP AMATEUR FINAL



Finish
1)47y Mark Brelsford (H-D)
2)27r Geezer Emick (BSA)
3)21y Don Harms (H-D)
4)20x Tom Rockwood (Tri)
5)41x Bill Cody (BSA)
6)66z Ron Spillman (Tri)
7)92r Reg Chosney (BSA)
8)11x Dave Smith (Tri) *

Time: 3:57.75 * Did Not Finish

8-LAP NOVICE MAIN



Finish
1)101 Keith Mashburn (Yam)
2)156 Frank Gillespie (Suz)
3)162 Randy Smith (Suz)
4)229 Rudy Galindo (Yam)
5)139 Dave Stroman (H-D)
6)207 Dennis Kanagae (Kaw)
7)128 Don Dudek (Yam)
8)118 Milo Walz (Hon)
9)179 Dick Bullock (Yam)
10)166 Joe Henry (Suz) *

Time: 3:15.45 * Did Not Finish

INTERNATIONAL MOTO-CROSS
Dallas, Texas, Sat. Nov. 9, 1968

By James E. Brammer

250cc INTERNATIONAL, FIM SANCTIONED

1. Dave Bickers, England	CZ
2. Torleif Hansen, Sweden	Hus
3. Benzt Alberg, Sweden	Hus
4. Roger DeCoster, Belgium	CZ
5. Pierre Karsmaker, Holland	Hus
6. Marcel Wiertz, Belgium	Bul
7. Gunnar Lindstorm, Sweden	Hus
8. Glen Vencent, USA	Oss
9. Gene Fetty, USA	Hus
9. John DeSoto, USA	Mon
11. Evered Terrell, USA	—

250cc JR. CLASS, OVERALL

1. Joe Joiner	CZ
2. Jack O'leary	Yam
3. Mike Cullum	
4. David Hickman	
5. Mick MacFarlan	
5. Ken Wilson	
7. Karl Muelsden	
7. Dale Brooks	
9. Ralph Pruitt	
10. Roger Hurley	

125cc CLASS, OVERALL

1. Walt Axthelm	Sac
2. Bill Kasson	—
3. James Lutz	Bul
4. George Parks	—

CALIF. STATE HALF-MILE CHAMPIONSHIP
Ascot Park, Cali
Gardena, Cal., Fri. 11/8/68

20 LAP EXPERT FINAL

1. Mert Lawwill	H-D
2. Gene Romero	Tri
3. Dan Haaby	H-D
4. Shorty Seabourne	BSA
5. Ralph White	BSA
6. Lloyd Houchins	BSA
7. Bruce Holland	Tri
8. Carl Patrick	BSA
9. Phil Todd	BSA
10. Clyde Litch	Tri

10 LAP AMATEUR FINAL

1. Mark Brelsford	H-D
2. Geezer Emick	BSA
3. Don Harms	H-D
4. Tom Rockwood	Tri
5. Bill Cody	BSA
6. Reg Chosney	BSA
7. Ron Spillman	Tri
8. Dave Smith	Tri

8 LAP NOVICE FINAL

1. Keith Mashburn	Yam
2. Frank Gillispie	Suz
3. Randy Smith	Suz
4. Rudy Galindo	Yam
5. Dave Stroman	H-D
6. Dennis Kanegae	Kaw
7. Don Dudek	Yam
8. Milo Waltz	Hon
9. Dick Bullock	Yam
10. Joe Henry	Suz

DIRT DIGGERS GRAND PRIX
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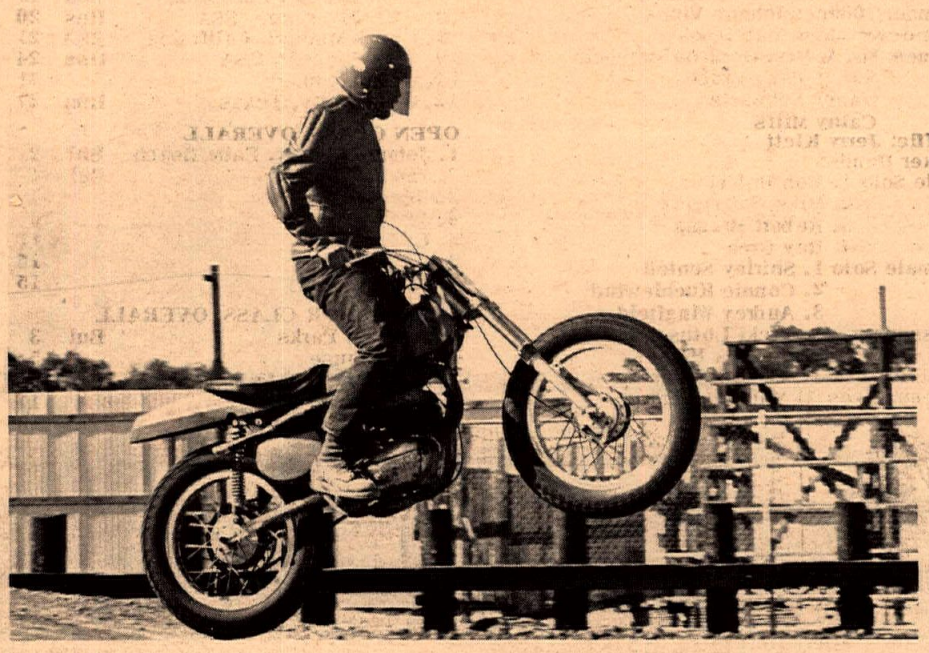
POWDER PUFF	
Terri Brice	Pen
Sandra Temin	Hod
Carol Davis	Sac
Mary Brooks	Bul
Cathy Trusdale	Bul
100 NOV.	
Bob Vacca	Bul
Bruce Baron	Pen
Joe Biedenbach	Bul
Mike Payse	Bul
Bob Archer	Hon
100 AM./EX.	
Dan Hockie	Hod
Dave Aldana	Suz
Gene Cannady	Hod
Ed Crowell	Hod
Linus Beall	Bri
101-200 COMB.	
Gary Bailey	Pen
Steve Scott	Bul
Karl Cranke	Pen
Doug Yerkes	Bul
Russ Darnell	Guz
250 NOV.	
Jim Wilson	Gre
Chris Hollenbeck	Bul
Steve Schneider	Bul
Bob Steffan Jr.	Gre
Bob Goldberg	Yam
250 AM.	
Charles Hermansen	Bul
Larry Shoemaker	Bul
Bob Kulek	Hus
Rick Hall	Kaw
Dave Duarte	Hus
250 EX.	
Bryan Wade(Exhibition)	Gre
Steve Scott	Bul
Russ Darnell	Hus
Fred Edwards	Yam
Bob Bailey	Yam
Lon Petersen	CZ
350 COMB.	
Dave Aldana	Oss
John Rice	Hon
Lonny Walter	Bul
Richard Wunder	Hon
Bill Vervisco	Yam
500 NOV.	
Greg Smith	CZ
John Hateley	CZ
Brad Lackey	Mon
Bob Campbell	Tri
Harold Stilson	Tri
500 AM.	
Steve Ellsworth	Bul
Terry Davis	Hus
John Maynard	Mai
Bob Tondro Jr.	Bul
Bill Dawson	Mon
500 EX.	
Don Rickman(Exhibition)	Met
Derrick Rickman (Exh.)	Met
Preston Petty	Mai
Dusty Coppage	Met
Gary Bailey	Gre
Russ Darnell	Hus
John Rice	Hon
OPEN NOVICE	
Chuck Rodman	Tri
Don Mitchell	Tri
Cliff Gentry	Tri
Paul Martin	Tri
Bob Melton	Tri
OPEN AM/EX.	
Dusty Coppage	Tri
Mike Haney	Tri
Gene Smith	Tri
Steve Hurd	Nor
Mike Patrick	Nor
SIDEHACK	
Steve Sechler Joe Gardner	BSA
Mike Burns Hank Burns	Bul
Robert Castle Red Parker	Tri
John Palfreyman Steve Foss	Tri
Cecil Meadors Darryl Meadors	Mai

Hosaka Again At Tijuana



Gary Gilmore and Bultaco teamed up to snatch a great third in 500cc to Open Novice and a third in the 250cc Novice.

TIJUANA, Mex., Nov. 10 – With a Distirct 38 championship point,race scheduled for the same weekend in Imperial Valley, many Tijuana regulars were not present. But those who were put on a spectacular show for the local fans.

Because the entry list was light, each class ran four motos, with the exception of the 100cc Novice event which ran two heat races and the 15-lap Main Event.

Doug Maloney forged his Hodaka to the front early in the 15-lapper. Brad Boyar, also on a Hodaka, was gaining steadily and definitely pressing as he chased Maloney across the finish. Young Bob Silverthorn, riding Jim McGuire's hot Reed-induction Hodaka got off to a poor start but threaded his way through traffic to capture the third place trophy.

A three-way fight developed in the 100cc Expert bash and in the final moto. Yamaha-mounted Carl Byers scooted by Yamaha-pilot Earl Roloff to capture first. Jim Dunn couldn't get his Bridgestone around Roloff and had to settle for third.

Ride With Big Ones

Under Mexican rules riders may ride in a bigger class, so the 200cc series of motos saw lots of 100cc machines, including the three leaders. Jim Dunn, riding his Van Tech Bridgestone had some difficulty in turning back diminutive Yamaha jockey, Earl Roloff Jr.

Wayne Hosaka did the troops again as he came across with the 500cc to Open Expert win even though he could not start in one moto.

Rick Ribley riding a Garelli, the only four-stroke machine in the race, looked impressive in gaining third.

The Open Expert contest was dominated by BSA-mounted Wayne Hosaka who captured top honors in spite of not being able to start in one of the motos. Suzuki expert, Don Emde had a good battle going with a Tijuana favorite, Carlos Iribe, but Iribe's Husqvarna came unglued. He was not able to run the final moto, giving Emde an undisputed claim to second.

Bultaco pilot, Gary Gilmore showed what was perhaps the most improved riding ability of any of the young riders by defeating Bultaco-mounted Ron Bennett and BSA rider Dale Evans to win the 500cc Open Novice fracas.

Randy Cushman in a hotly contested bout with TMA president Carlos Iribe and Gary Gilmore managed to eke out a win with his Bultaco in the 250cc Novice.

As the day was yet young, referee, Earl Roloff announced two additional sweepstakes races (no entry fee), for bikes under and over 250cc.

Jim Harmon, riding Doug Maloney's Hodaka, captured the lightweight contest by defeating Hodaka-mounted Jim Mc Guire and Yamaha-pilot Carl Byers. Young Don Emde expertly captured the larger class bash ahead of Bultaco rider Gary Gilmore.

The spectacle of the day saw Jim Mc Guire capture third among the heavies on a 100cc Hodaka.

100cc NOV. (MAIN)	
1. Doug Maloney	Hod
2. Brad Boyar	Hod
3. Bob Silverthorn	Hod
100cc EXPERT	
1. Carl Byers	Yam
2. Earl Roloff Jr.	Yam
3. Jim Dunn	Bri
200cc COMBINED	
1. Jim Dunn	Bri
2. Earl Roloff Jr.	Yam
3. Rich Ribley	Gar
250cc NOVICE	
1. Randy Cushman	Bul
2. Carlos Iribe	Hus
3. Gary Gilmore	Bul
500cc-OPEN NOVICE	
1. Gary Gilmore	Bul
2. Ron Bennett	Bul
3. Dale Evans	BSA
500cc-OPEN EXPERT	
1. Wayne Hosaka	BSA
2. Don Emde	Suz
3. Carlos Iribe	Hus
0-200cc SWEEPSTAKES	
1. Jim Harmon	Hod
2. Jim McGuire	Hod
3. Carl Byers	Yam
250cc OPEN SWEEPSTKS.	
1. Don Emde	Suz
2. Gary Gilmore	Bul
3. Jim McGuire	Hod

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CLUB GUIDE

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AMERICAN CYCLE ASSOCIATION, for all riders in speedway, moto-cross and road racing as well as enthusiasts. If you would like to compete or be associated with racing in the capacity of course personnel, contact the A.C.A. office, P.O. Box 247, Fullerton, Calif. or call (714) 528-4290.

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AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MOTORCYCLISTS(AFM) Promotion and organization of road racing, moto cross and other forms of motorcycle sport. Non-racing personnel always welcome. Chapters in Las Vegas, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Santa Barbara, Reno and St. Louis, Mo. PO Box 213 No. Hollywood, Calif. 91603.

ANTELOPE RAMBLERS M.C. of Palmdale, AMA chart. Meets every Tues. at 17832 Sierra Hwy. Saugus, Calif. Post meeting refreshments.

BAKERSFIELD RED TOPS, 327 Olive St., Bakersfield, Cal. 93304. Meetings held last Wed. of month at Marino's, 622 E. 21st St., Bakersfield, Cal.

BARSTOW M.C. of Barstow, Calif. AMA sanct. Meets 2nd & 4th Thurs. ea. mo. at new address. Barstow Police Dept. Auditorium at 225 E. Mountain View. New mail address: P.O. Box 821, Barstow, California.

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BLUE BARONS M.C. 1315 South 41st Street, Tacoma, Washington.

BRUSH BUMS M.C. of Pomona. 2nd and 4th Mondays each month. Contact President Richard Dickens at (714) 629-3792 or Secretary Yvonne Knight at (714) 593-5057. Club Address: 2220 7th St., La Verne, Calif. 91750.

BMW CLUB OF Northern California, 335 Paramount Dr., Millbrea, Calif. 94030.

B.M.W. CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. Touring club for B.M.W. owners. Dinner meeting around the 25th of each month. Contact Bob Brown, 255 N. White St., Pomona, Calif. for membership information.

BUSHMASTERS M.C. of Banning, Calif. Dirt competition club. Meetings 1st Thursday at Burson & Pointer Garage. Address: P.O. Box 921, Banning, Calif.

CALIF. EAGLES M.C. INC. road club. AMA charter. Meets 2nd & 4th Thursday at members' homes. P.O. Box 5041, Long Beach, Calif. 90805. Call (213) 444-6577 for information.

CALIFORNIA RAINBOWS Road Club, AMA sanctioned. Address: 11152 Bunker Hill Dr., Los Alamitos, Calif.

CALIFORNIA GOPHERS MC of Prado Park, AMA Sanct. Address P.O. Box 2575, Bell Gardens, Calif. Meets 2nd –4th Tues. of each month at Jack Rabbits Club House, 9143 E. Compton Blvd., Bellflower at 8:30.

CALIFORNIA TRAIL MACHINE ASSOCIATION. So. Cal. info from Bob Doke, 149 Apricot St., Oak View, Cal. 93022; Central Cal. info from Chuck Henry, P.O. Box 1508, Bakersfield, Cal. 93302. No. Calif. info from Don Keller, 4085 East Ave., Hayward, Cal. 94541.

CAL POLY PENGUINS M.C. Street/dirt motorcycle club. ASI Box 111, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Calif. 93401.

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COACHELLA VALLEY M.C. AMA sanctioned comp. club. Meets every Wednesday. Address: 71-306 Hiway 111 Rancho Mirage, Calif. 92270.

COLORAMAS M.C. meet 1st Sat. of month at 8 p.m. Contact Frank Gerwat, 14263 Hoyt St., Arleta, Calif. 899-8329.

CONEJO TRAIL RIDERS, c/o Roy Collett, Pres., 3402 Calle Quesbracho, Thousand Oaks, Calif. 91360. Need reps from all trail clubs in So. Cal. to discuss state plans for trail and camp areas.

CRUISERS M.C. of Santa Ana. A.M.A. sanctioned. Meets every 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 16841 Lynn St. Huntington Beach at 8 p.m. For information call (714) 836-5546 or 893-2309.

CYCLE CLUB OF 1st BAPTIST CHURCH of Van Nuys. Meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and Sat. at 1:00 p.m. Shop and maintenance facilities. Address c/o Richard Cohen. First Baptist Church, 14800 Sherman Way, Van Nuys.

DESERT M.C. An active desert competition club. Address: 12551 Scandia, Garden Grove. Phone (714) 897-3894.

DESERT CHALLENGERS M.C. For info write P.O. Box 741, Apple Valley, Calif. 92307.

DESERT CREEPERS Desert racing club, mostly married, racing and camping enthusiasts. Potential members call H. Jackson (213) OL 6-4299.

DESERT FOXES M.C., desert competition and trail riding club. Seeking AMA sanction. Meet 1st Wed. of each month 7:30 p.m. at selected locations. Call Lloyd Powell at (213) 923-7022 for more information.

DIST. 37 SPORTS COMMITTEE Contact President Bill Adams at 814 Cobb Ave., Placentia, Calif. 92670 for information on meetings. Ph: (714) 528-3007.

DIRT DIGGERS NORTH M.C., Active competition club, meets every Monday 8 p.m. at the Whitefront, Rocklin, Calif. Mail address: P.O. Box 338, Orangevale, Cal. 95662. Phone (916) 988-3524.

DUSTERS M.C. of Wilmington. AMA sanctioned. Meet Monday nights 8:00 at 23015 Catskill, Wilmington, Cal.

DYNA-MITES MC of El Monte, Calif. AMA sanc. Meets at 12359 Felipe, El Monte every Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Mail address: 12359 Felipe, El Monte, Calif. Phone: GI 8-3567.

FAR WEST M.C. Meets every Friday. For info. write: P.O. Box 3198, Eureka, Calif.

FOOTHILL HAWKS M.C. Meets Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. at 5567 So. Norwalk Blvd., Whittier, Calif. 90601. For info call Paul at 699-0298.

FORT SUTTER M.C. of Sacramento, Calif. Meets every Wednesday at 8 p.m. We need more active members. Address: 4085 Deeble St., Sacramento, Calif. 95820.

FOUR ACES M.C. Invite you to our meeting any Thurs. night at 8 p.m. in the Field house behind the ball diamond, North Hollywood Park on Chandler St. Mail address: P.O. Box 922, North Hollywood, Calif. 91603.

GHOST RIDERS of Pomona, Calif., Road Riding Club. Meets 1st and 3rd Friday at 2231 Concord Ave., Pomona. Write E. D. Coleman, address same (714) 623-4676.

GOLDEN STATE M.C. of Pasadena. Road riders rep. H.W. Borden, 5406 N. Mapletree, Arcadia, Calif. Phone: GI 8-9388.

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GRIP TWISTERS M.C. at Vandenberg AFB. Address: P.O. Box 968, Vandenberg AFB, Calif. Ph: (805) WA 2-4486 for membership information.

GRIPSTERS M.C. Competition club. P.O. Box 272, Placentia, Calif. Meetings Mon. nights 7:30. Chapman Hall, Placentia.

GROUNDSHAKERS M.C. a desert competition club. Las Vegas, Nevada. Meetings now and again, events irregular, no officers, but well organized when it counts. Address: 865 French Circle, Las Vegas.

GYPSY WHEELS M.C., Ridgecrest, China Lake & Trona, Calif. area. Family type road riders only. AMA chartered. Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday nights of each month at Community Center, Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, Calif. Gate passes available for guests & visitors. All meetings open to public. Military riders welcome. Box 992, Ridgecrest, Calif. 93555.

HIGH SIERRA M.C. Competition Club, Box 482, Mammoth Lake, Calif. 93456. Meetings 1st Wed. of each month. Great cow trailing, high altitude, 7000 plus.

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HILLTOPPERS MC INC. of Signal Hill, Calif. AMA Sanc. Meets at 2255 Cerritos, side entrance, Signal Hill. Thurs. at 8 p.m. Post Meeting, refreshments. Mail address: P.O. Box 1746, Long Beach, Calif.

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LIONS M.C., 4762 Cape May, San Diego, Calif. 92107.

LOMPOC SLO-POKES, Box 2177, Orcutt, Calif. AMA sanctioned. Phone (805) WE 7-5836.

LOS ANCIANOS M/C CLUB, 7109 Connestoga Way, San Diego, Calif. Contact Bill Steider (714) 286-3756 for further info. Desert club and Baja M/C trips. (dirt riders only)

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LOST COYOTES M.C., Lancaster, Cal. AMA sanctioned Mail address 44738 E. Second, Lancaster, Cal. Phone (805) 942-6058 or (805) 942-7603.

LUCKY WHEELS MC. Road Riding Club. Meets 8:00 p.m. on first and third Friday of each month, at H-D shop, 1241 W. Holt St., Pomona. Ph: 633-5417. AMA & RRC. Pres.: J. M. Jones – 983-2524.

LUCKY FEW M.C. Road Riding Club. AMA chartered. P.O. Box HA, Los Gatos, Calif.

MARIN COUNTY MOTORCYCLE ASSN. of San Rafael, Calif. Meets at 8 p.m. every Monday night at 2020 4th St. in San Rafael. Sportsman racing team and also road riders. AMA chartered. Mail address, Box 221, San Rafael, Calif.

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POWAY M.C., family road riders, AMA chartered. 13621 Frame Rd., Poway, Cal. 92064. Ph: 748-3290.

POWDER PUFF ASSN., AMA sanct. competition club for women. Meetings second Wednesday of each month. Call 865-2747 for information.

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RAMS M.C. AMA sanctioned. Meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays 8 p.m. at the Van Nuys Playground, corner of Van Nuys Blvd. and Van Owen.

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ROAD KINGS & QUEENS M.C. Club meeting the first Saturday of every month. Married couples only. AMA sanction. Motorcycles 305cc and up. Call Marlene Lawson, Club Secretary for more information. (714) 627-1495. Address: 4762 Mission Blvd., Ontario, Calif.

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ROAD RIDERS M.C. INC. of South San Gabriel. AMA Sanctioned. Meets at 3044 Jackson Street every Tuesday, 8:00 p.m. Mail address as above. Post meeting club run during activity contest. Shuffle board and skill pool at clubhouse.

ROAD RUNNERS OF SANTA CRUZ, a road riding family club is accepting memberships. Meets 1st and 3rd Sat. of each month at club house on Scotts Valley Blvd., Scotts Valley, Cal. Meetings start at 8 p.m. Contacts: 'Woody' Wood, 234 Manfre Rd., Watsonville, Ph: (408) 724-1982 or Santa Cruz Harley Shop, 426-2875.

ROAD RUNNERS M/C, a road riding family club. Meets every other Sunday. Mailing address, P.O. Box 178, Fort Bragg, Calif. 95437.

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ROUGH RIDERS of Hayward M.C. AMA sanc. dirt and road riding club. Meets every Thurs. at 8 p.m. Current membership openings. Contact us at 25224 Mission Blvd., Hayward, Calif. 94544. Phone: 538-2144.

ROUGH RIDERS MC of Paramount, Calif. AMA sanc. Meets at 8434 Harrison St., Paramount, every Thursday at 8:30 p.m. Mail address: Rough Riders MC, P.O. Box 516, Paramount. Calif. Phone ME 3-4368.

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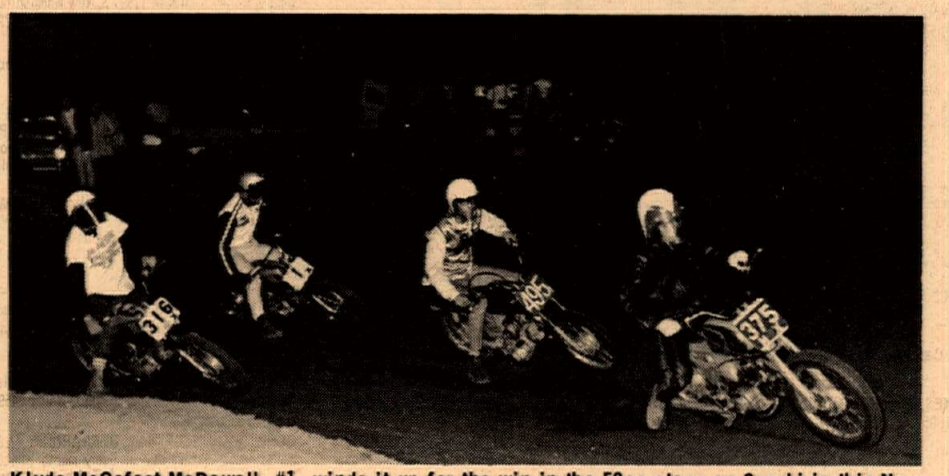
Perris Shaped, Open Pack Mauled by Killingsworth

By Kirk McDowell

PERRIS, Cal., Nov. 2 – Gerry Burton & Co. continue to improve the racing and facilities at one of California's oldest and best tracks. With the help of a new grader and a 2350-gallon water truck the track surface is manicured to near perfection.

Saturday night racing at Perris will continue until December 21st this year, when the Burtons plan a big party at which the season's high-point riders will be honored. The all moto-cross program gives everyone three rides. The end result is great racing for riders and spectators.



Klyde McGofast McDowell, #1, winds it up for the win in the 50cc class on Suzuki in this Nov. 9 race.

Saturday, November 2, was no exception. Despite a sizable handicap start, 50cc Experts Steve Nichols and Jay Lewis came through for a close 1-2 finish. Both were Yamaha mounted. 100cc standouts were Keith Miller (Hod), Ron Bell (Hod), Bruce Alford (Suz), and Phil McDonald (Yam). This Novice foursome swapped places all night long before finishing in the above order.

Both 250 Novice events were tight. Had Tim Abshier (Yam) been able to get off the line with little Dougie Mason (Yam), he, rather than Mason, might have taken the trophy. Harley Sprints showed well in both the Novice 250 and 350 classes.

Bill Bartels (H-D) and Rick Talbot (H-D) beat out pointleader Bob Greenstreet (Bul) in the 250 Novice and switched positions to run two-three in 350 Novice, close behind Wayne Whisenant riding a new ERS Sprint 350cc.

After a fall in the first moto Vince Graves came back to win the second and third 250 Am. & Ex. races. Vince, however, was out-pointed by proud new Amateur Loyal Penn who also won the 200cc class.

350 class point leader Ron Killingsworth made good use of a handicap start and won the combined 500 & Open class riding a Bultaco El Bandido. Sprint-mounted Tony Denius and Ray Nichols (Maico) both rode very hard finishing second and third, respectively.

There are only three more District 37 point events this year (all at Perris) and six more Saturday night races. Everybody's welcome to ride any Saturday night and camp overnight for Sunday's activities, whether point – event or open practice.

Practice starts about 7 p.m. on Saturday and the races are over by 11 p.m.

Landguth Grabs Points

PERRIS, Cal., Nov. 9 – The bigger they are, the harder they fall. Due to the Dirt Diggers' big Hopetown bash, entries were down slightly. In the resulting big bike program cubic inches played only a minor role in determining the winners.

All amateur and expert riders, 250cc and up, ran in one three-race moto-cross. 250 riders Loyal Penn and Vince Graves ran right with the 40 inches of Mike Posey and Butch Landguth.

Vince really put the hustle on his PurSang and came from behind to win the first moto. Landguth and Posey each picked off one of the two remaining motos. Butch came up the overall winner riding a Triumph. Bultaco-mounted Graves was second and after mechanical trouble BSA rider Mike Posey picked up third.

Open Novice looked like an easy win for Dave Brant (BSA) until he unloaded in the second moto. Don Corbett (Tri) zoomed in for the win in that one and led the third moto until passed by eventual winner Neil Winston.

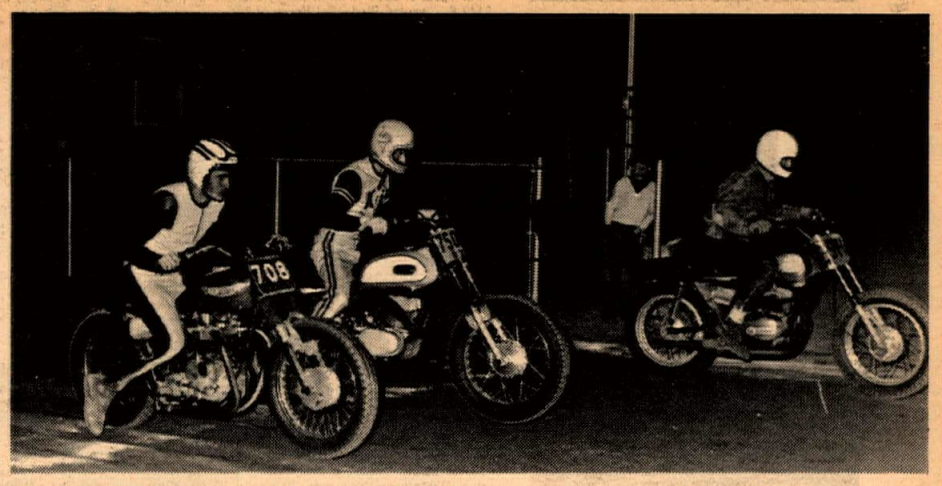
Neil played David slaying the 40-inch Goliaths on his much smaller Bultaco.

Doug Mason made a clean sweep in the 250 Novice and brought his Yamaha back to the line to do it all over again in the 350 class. Behind Doug the battle for second place was on between Tim Abshier (Yam) and Bob Greenstreet (Bul) in the 250, while Bob Rudd (Hon) and Paul Lass (Bul) had it out in the 350 event.

200cc class winner Loyal Penn (Bul) was undoubtedly surprised more than once by the sound of a four-cycle behind him. Andy Skeel kept his Triumph Cub hot on Loyal's heels.

Lightweights Close

Despite the small turnout, there were sufficient 100cc novice entries to require three separate events to be run. All three were closely contended. None of the winners were able to win all three motos. Strangely enough, no one make of motorcycle had more than two finishers in the top three.



Butch Landguth, 708, on his Triumph took the open overall on a night wtih few entries than usual at Perris because of Hopetown.

Richard Matthews (MB) was the most consistent finisher in the A moto-cross. He was followed by Bob Sanders on a Van Tech-Yamaha and Suzuki-mounted Peter Haas.

Results of the B moto-cross weren't decided until the finish of the third moto. George Luther (Yam) and Keith Miller (Hon) went into the third race tied. Keith worked hard but had to settle for second. Tom Archbold ran third on his Honda.

Moto-cross C, 100cc Novice, was tight all the way. Bruce Alfred and his Suzuki won. Gary McKeon ended up second on a Kawasaki and Steve Mudd third. Steve entered his Bultaco, rode a Sachs in first two motos, and won the third moto on a Honda.

50cc class action found Jack Dannenberg (Yam), first novice, sandwiched between the silent Suzukis of experts Klyde McGofast and Gary Caldwell.

There will be four more District 37 point events at Perris this year and four more Saturday night point events. That means two scrambles within 24 hours of each other on November 17, 24th, and December 15th.

(Results on page 20)

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250 Nov.
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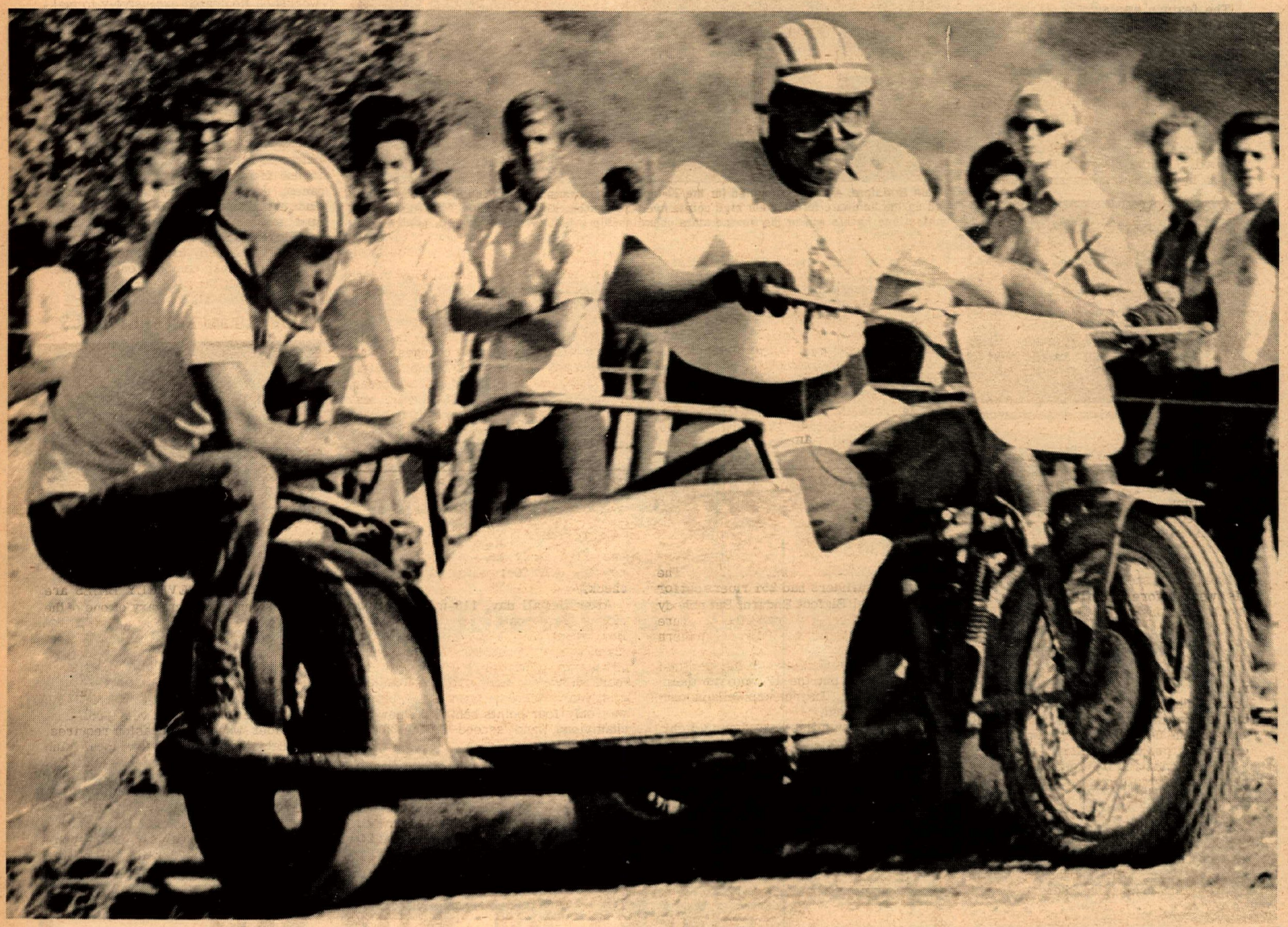

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LAWWILL TAKES ASCOT CLOSER

GARDENA, Cal., Nov. 8 – Mert Lawwill closed out the Ascot half mile season by winning the annual State Championship final in the Expert class on a Harley. Mert became one of a very few to win both the State title and Eight-mile National in the same season.

The season was the best ever for the Milwaukee brand whose riders took both half-mile titles and won the Expert and Amateur point races as well. H-D also took second in the final Novice standings for their best all around effort since the track was built in 1957.

Lawwill turned in perhaps his finest ride ever aboard the Dud Perkins H-D in the heat race when he came from fourth place in the last three laps to take the win. It was the fastest heat time of the night.

It was the same story in the Trophy Dash with Lawwill out-horsing Shorty Seabourne, Dan Haaby and Clyde Litch.

The feature was stopped at the end of nine laps when Clyde Litch hit the wall on the back stretch and was run over by another rider. Latest reports from the Gardena hospital say Clyde has a fractured skull and internal injuries. Phil Todd broke his leg in the same crash.

Prior to the black flag, Gene Romero, who had flown in from the east to carry the Triumph colors, was closing fast on Lawwill. On the re-start for the final eleven laps Gene was never able to continue his pace and had to settle for second behind the flying Lawwill who scored his first sweep ever at Ascot in non-national competition.

Lawwill digs in on the way to the championship.

Coupled with his two wins at the October national the three-race streak gave Mert a five-in-a-row effort at Ascot to close out his racing for '68.

Dan Haaby, still bruised all over from his week-before TT flipper down the front straightaway, was on hand and trying hard. Romero passed Haaby for second both times off the line and the former champ had to settle for third.

BSA 500cc colors were probably carried for the last time by Shorty Seabourne. Shorty rode as well as ever but the handwriting has been on the wall all year for the 500's and Shorty was a non-contending fourth at the flag.

Chuck Jones and DeWayne Keeter are in far-off Australia racing in short track events.

Many top-rated Amateurs took their last rides with the yellow number plates. It was Mark Brelsford winning on H-D. Earlier, Don Harms had defeated Mark in the heat race with Tom Rockwood and Dave Smith winning the other two heat races.

Harms held off Brelsford in the early laps of the final with Rockwood a close third. As Brelsford moved by to take the lead Rockwood fell off the pace after being hit by a flying rock.

Then it was Geezer Emick saving his best race of the season for last. Geezer, who won the semi-main, really let it go in the final. He came from the back row and went all the way to second place before the end of the ten-lap race.

Substitute

Earlier, in the heat race, Emick pulled into the pits with a dead engine. He was not listed as one of the four alternates to the semi but was there and ready when the event came up – and he took it. After the race Mike Spitzer was wandering around the pits muttering to himself. He was listed as an alternate but was not up in the get-ready area when the semi went to the line.

Keith Mashburn closed out a brilliant Novice career by scoring the sweep in the heat, dash and final for his last ride with a green number plate. Mashburn was by far the Novice half-mile champ and won the TT and short track point titles as well. Ascot's first triple crown winner.

Mark Brelsford, 47Y, was trophied for the 20-lap Amateur championship. Don Harms, 21Y, picked up the hardware for Amateur high points over the season. Keith Mashburn, 101, has two trophies, one for his win in the Novice state championship event, the other for high point Novice for the year.

Keith made it a runaway in the final. He was only pressured for two laps in the heat race by Dave Aldana before moving into first place. The new rule change for half-miles next year allows all machines to use 750cc engines but Mashburn will return as an Amateur aboard a Yamaha 350cc job to challenge the big boys.

The Suzuki's of Franks Gillispie and Randy Smith chased Mashburn for the final time with Yamaha-mounted Rudy Galindo running fourth. Dave Stroman and his Harley took fifth.

All current riders and all new riders for next season are urged to obtain the 1969 rules regarding half mile racing before getting ready for the new season that will open the first Friday in April. There will be many rule changes for all classes and Referee Ray "Chub" Kellam will have them all in the near future.

Rear brakes and compression releases will be allowed on any and all machines on the oval next year.

(Results on page 16)

MURPHY, STOVER TIE IN BIG FOOT ENDURO

By Tom Dilling

WILLOW CREEK, Cal., Oct. 27 – The Trinity Trailsters had 251 riders out for their Annual Bigfoot Enduro. But nobody caught Bigfoot, the man-like creature said to be roaming the wilds of Northern California.

The Trailsters is one of the smallest clubs around, but the 17 who ran their event think big. The ride was well planned and well marked.

The first few miles were sheer delight, an old trail that had the wheelie lovers smiling all the way. Logging roads, jeep trails, and non-existant trails made up the majority of the run. If you're the type who rides these for the scenery, you ain't lived 'til you've seen Trinity County in early fall, especially two famous towns of Hayfork and Hyampom.

For some reason the drop-out rate was high along the first part of the course, only 90 reached the early gas check.

After the all day, 118-mile ride, two riders dead-heated for first overall. How about that! Paul Murphy, 200 A class winner, brought his Hodaka in with 991 points, tying with 250 B class winner Mark Stover of Lodi, Bultaco-mounted. Last year's Bigfoot winner, Roger Smart, was only four points behind the new co-champions, and second in the 200 A division.

Post-race comments contained the usual amount of bitching. Trailsters are up against the problem that although the majority of the land they use is U.S. Forest Service some is privately owned. Not everyone is agreeable to having 200 to 300 motorcycles run through their front yard.

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HALF MINUTE INTERVIEW

By Bill Harmer

JIM McGUIRE

A La Mesa, Calif. painting contractor, JIM McGUIRE loves motorcycles and motorcycling in the form of TT racing. He has been active in the sport for only about 4 years but as his specialty is the little 100cc machines he figures that at 32 years of age, he has many more seasons of racing left. Jim, his wife and year-old son live in the San Diego suburb of Lemon Grove where he maintains a complete workshop dedicated exclusively to making a two-stroke go faster. Jim is the "M" half of F & M Enterprises. He and his partner Mono Fox, a desert racer, manufacture the F & M reed induction systems for most two-stroke engines and when Jim begins to name off the riders who are using their products, it sound liks he's reading the results of the latest TT races. Jim is defending point champ in District 38 and in spite of being absent from several championship point races, is a top contender for the #1 plate again this year. Jim is know for his good sportsmanship with never a lame excuse or a gripe when things get rough. He is always ready to help another rider, even his closest competition. A gentleman on and off the race course, Jim is a real credit to cycling.

RICHARD and BEVERLY BILLS

RICHARD and BEVERLY BILLS are the president and secretary of one of the best known motorcycle clubs in the Southwest, The Valley Vagabonds M.C. of Phoenix, Arizona, the host club of the famous Grand Canyon Tour. Rich has been a cycling enthusiast for 15 years and an AMA member for 8. They usually ride double but Bev is a very proficient solo rider when the occasion requires. Although they have a few local club events yearly, their primary activity is the planning and execution of the Grand Canyon Tour which takes almost full-time effort of their entire 30-member club. Everyone has something to do. Bev takes care of the reams of correspondence and Rich handcrafts all of the beautiful trophies out of walnut.

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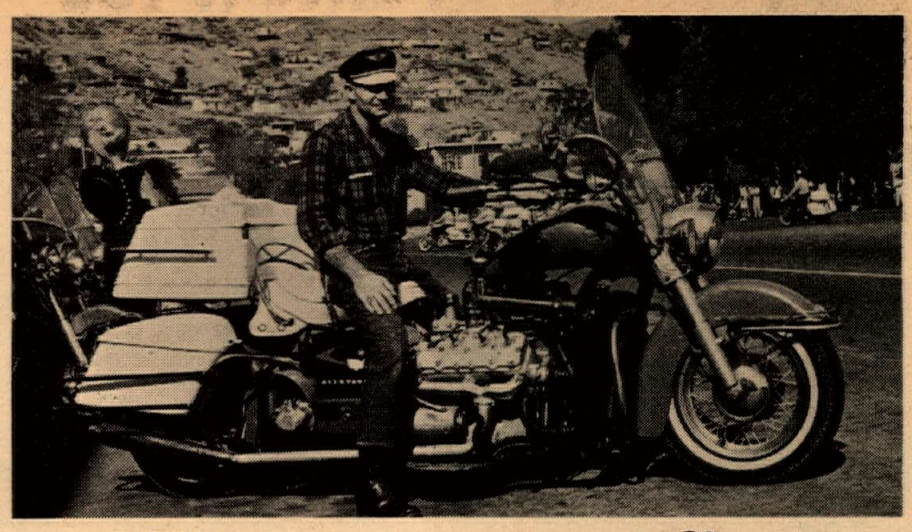

By Bill Harmer

Bob Anderson of Vallejo California had some uncommon ideas about what a touring motorcycle should be. He couldn't find anything on the market that quite filled his requirements, so out of bits and parts from motorcycles and automobiles he laboriously assembled his brain child.

First, he extended the frame of a 1937 Indian 4 and hung a flat head Ford 60 V8 engine in it. So he could use a Harley transmission and conventional chain drive, he bolted the differential of an English Ford to the flywheel. A Harley-Davidson front end and Ariel gas tank completed the assembly.

He had to extend the handlebars because the saddle is quite a distance from the forks.

The only instruments Bob installed were an oil pressure gauge and ammeter. He doesn't have a speedometer because he hasn't yet found one that goes high enough to handle the speed the bike is capable of.

Bob was interviewed at Ensenada, Mexico just after he'd completed the 650-mile jaunt from his home in Vallejo. He uses the bike as regular transportation, putting from 400 to 600 miles a month on it. Despite its 1200 pounds and 10'2" overall length Bob says it handles beautifully and gives a smooth, comfortable ride.

Benefits Retarded Kids

By Ernie Winslow
Photos by Jack Light

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. – The Sprockets Motorcycle Club staged their fifth annual charity race Sunday October 27, 1968 at Sprocket Park. All proceeds from this AMA sanctioned scrambles will be donated to the Bakersfield Association for Retarded Children.

Highlight of the afternoon was the drawing for a Kawasaki motorcycle and other items donated for this cause.

Special awards were given to Joe Roseberry and Ron Pierce. Roseberry is the current point leader in District 35 and Pierce the outstanding Amateur road racer with wins at the Indianapolis 110-Mile National and the one at Laconia that was disqualified for winning with a rig with too few cubic inches.

The outstanding race was attributed to the open experts. Alex Chrzanowski mastered the competition with a flawless riding style and a precision-tuned Triumph. Alex was riding with a slight weight and visual handicap in the form of hair but this did not seem to slow him down. Ron Pierce won the first motocross and was in contention until he lost it in the back chute. Carroll Jackson turned in a fine performance in finishing second.

Alex Chrizanowski, winner of the Open Exper class.

From left: Pierce's sponsor Darrel Jenkins, Ron Pierce, Joe Roseberry and Skip Saylor, sponsor of Roseberry.

Rick Newby had an apparent victory in the 175-200 Amateur-Expert class when his Kawasaki coughed at the finish line and Bridgestone mounted Ron Tobey zipped by for the win and a probable transfer to the Expert division.

The Roseberry brothers riding out of Skip Saylor's Bakersfield store were one and two with Frank the victor over Joe.

Midge Griffith and the dirt throwingest Norton in the district were tops in the Open Amateur event. Midge roostertailed through the right hander each lap with one of his best rides.

The combined race of 250 Amateur and Experts found the Hanford riders leading the field with Ken Wise defeating Harvey Bakker in the Expert contest. Stan Mills was the top Amateur riding a Montesa. Mills will be moving to the Expert class very soon.

The Colby family from Oxnard invaded the 250 Novice show with Randy and his Harley beating his cousin Dan and Bultaco. The third member Pat, finished fifth.

Matchless was the brand to buy in the 500 Amateur-Expert go. Mike Keen continues to be the rider to beat in this class.

The 200 Novice class tried to destroy each other in the first turn. Finally the pack cleared this tricky corner and Gary Walker's Bultaco mastered.

The Sprockets extend their thanks to Tony Elisarraras and his wife for helping with this race. Most times that a district official gets mentioned is in a gripe but it is a real pleasure to have Tony's assistance at any event.

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RRC SETS UP OWN BLOOD BANK

At a recent RRC meeting Bill Miller proposed that blood deposits already made to "Operation Motorcycle" be withdrawn and held in a separate organization.

The first part of this motion was defeated. However, it was unanimously agreed that a new bank be set up, under the name RRC Motorcycle Blood Bank.

"Big Daddy" Miller's next motion was also adopted without opposition – that blood disbursements of the new bank go to motorcycle enthusiasts only. Operation M/C is the Red Cross blood bank for motorcycle enthusiasts and their families.

Operation Motorcycle Co-chairman, Ken Jones, has resigned from the post and relinquished the record to the office.

NEW YORK WINS PARKING FIGHT

According to a columnist in The Village Voice (a weekly local newspaper), New York motorcyclists have finally won their struggle to be permitted to park motorcycles at an angle to the cur bin New York City.

Prior to this, cycles and scooters had to be parked parallel to the curb, wasting valuable parking space and infuriating motorists, who often moved lightweight bikes into "no parking" zones so they could take the cycle's space.

Credit for the victory of common sense over iron-headed bureaucracy should go to Ralph Lao, founder of the Metropolitan Cycle Association, 120 E. 34th Steeet, New York 10016. Lao formed MCA in 1965 specifically to lobby for angle parking in Manhattan.

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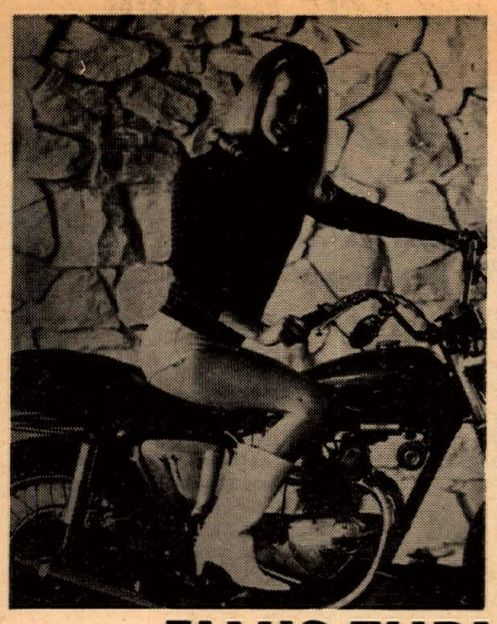


ELVIS TURNED HER ON

In the movie "Girl Happy" Chris Noel was brought into contact with Elvis Presley, so it was natural that she should catch the motorcycling bug. She also had some help from Steve McQueen, her publicist says.

"Riding relaxes me," Chris says, "It takes away the tensions of acting."

Chris now has her own radio show "A Date With Chris". It's broadcast over the 300 or so stations linked up with the Armed Forces Radio Service.

Police Is Too Strong a Word

By Rob Robbins

NORWALK, Cal., Nov. 4 – At the November meeting of the Southern California Motorcycling Association no time was wasted in starting discussion on the long-postponed police force.

The first decision was to drop the name in favor of something more diplomatic. Just plain "committee" was suggested.

Four representatives were nominated for the advisory board – Paul McCormick, (Outrider), Gino Daniels, L.M. "Shammie" Street (Oxnard MC), and Al Reynolds (Originals). The latter two were elected. They will draft guidelines for the "committee" and present them for approval by all representatives.

CALENDAR. v

Six clubs announced the date they wanted for the 1969 Calendar of Events. Remaining clubs were asked to do likewise, so that the calendar could be ready shortly after the first of the year.

The Annual Toys for Tots Run will be held Dec. 1. The entry will be one new or repairable toy and 50¢.

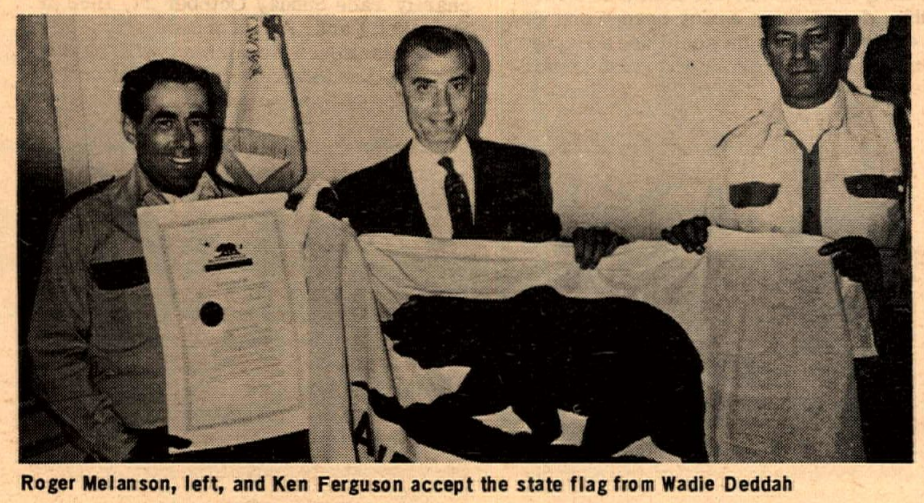
MAN WHO INTRODUCED HELMET BILL MAKES FRIENDS WITH MARY'S MEN

By Bill Harmer

LEMON GROVE, Cal., Nov. 3 – At a special gathering of the Mary's Men M.C. in the V.F.W. hall here, Wadie P. Deddah, Democrat Assemblyman representing the 77th district and co-author of the compulsory helmet bill, presented the club with an official California Bear State flag to carry in parades.

Accompanying the banner was a certificate stating that the flag had flown over the capitol building in Sacramento. Mr. Deddah delivered a brief presentation address praising the motorcycle club for their outstanding record of community service and high moral integrity.

In view of the recent stand by the assemblyman, your reporter welcomed the opportunity to interview him on his pre-election views concerning motorcycle legislation.



Roger Melanson, left, and Ken Ferguson accept the state flag from Wadie Deddah

Asked how he would vote if similar measures were introduced in future sessions he said that in view of recent developments, he would consider carefully the constitutionally of the proposed legislation before either favoring or rejecting it.

The Mary's Men M.C. proudly accepted the flag and plan to display it for the first time at their Brawley Cattle Call Overnighter on November 23rd & 24th.

Rebel Rousers

Story and Photos by Rob Robbins

EL MONTE, Cal., Oct. 27 – The Rebel Rousers of El Monte, Cal. held their second Mystery Tour of 1968 – a successful and enjoyable ride. 232 riders and passengers took the Rebel Rousers' second tour through the Angeles National Forest and back to Herbert C. Legg Lake in El Monte.

The Mystery

The mystery for about 20 riders, who either got lost or had some trouble, was that the second check point was closed by the time they arrived. But all was well when the back-up truck came to the rescue.

Judging and games were well planned and moved right along. A tug of war between club members and out-riders and several races preceeded the uniform judging. While in the parking lot, bike judging was also in progress. Much emphasis was placed on neat appearance, as many trophies were awarded for the best dressed judging. But bike judging was good for only two trophies, one for over 1000cc, and one under.

The Lone Wolf

Being a little short-handed, the Rousers drafted help for one of their check points. Horace Williams, better known as the "Lone Wolf", stepped up to fill the position.

This mini-bike is really a spare, mounted on the back of a Honda 450.

The Silver Eagles Motor Corps, who have a Turkey Run Nov. 24th, took the trophy for attendance. 70% of their club signed in at Meyers Cycle Shop in El Monte. Bruce Barbara was given the job of drawing the Sweepstakes trophies and a ticket for a raffle that has been in progress for about a month. A pure bred German Shepherd was won by Jerry Klett of the Eternal Drifters. But Jerry gave the dog to a young lady who had become quite fond of it while waiting for the drawing. A vote of thanks to Jerry.

33-Year-Old-Club

The Rebel Rousers were chartered in the AMA in 1935, making them one of the oldest road clubs in existence. To commemorate their 33rd year, they awarded the 33rd entry a trophy. Eddie Alford of the Ace of Clubs was the receiver.

Leroy Dean traveled all the way from Fort Ord, up around Monterey, to enter the Mystery Tour, over 400 miles to take the long distance rider trophy. And by 4 p.m. he was on the way home, along with over 30 other winners. A salute to the Rebel Rousers for a very fine run.

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Novices throw kisses

By Erma Redding

DOWNEY, Cal., Nov. 3 – Fifteen-year-old Ron Powell (Yam.) in the Novice 100 class rode like a pro, lapping the 8/10-mile course in 51 seconds. But he had bad luck on a couple of corners and was passed by Kirk Travis' Bridgestone.

San Diego Expert Earl Roloff showed up the other California 100 class Experts with his won on a Yamaha. Two who tried to pass were Harry Bevans (Hod.)

Adelanto's first 200cc class saw Dave Sprayberry stopped with a blown piston after leading the first lap. Neil Winston (Bul.) fell down, dropping to third. By really working he regained the lead and won.

The 11 riders in the 250 Novice class played around more than any of the others, doing wheelies, throwing kisses and standing on pegs up the long straight for the cheering spectators. Neil Winston took second on another Bultaco. He entered three classes and played besides. Ron Ringer (Kaw.) won this match.

Jim Bassey took the 250 Expert on his Suzuki.

Bassy on his Maico didn't find the 500 class quite so easy. He workd – and still Sandy Armstrong (Bul.) took first. Bassy was second.

"Great A" day ended with Butch Rotz, Dick Allen and Jim Maupin, all on Triumphs in the Open class, picking up one, two, three.

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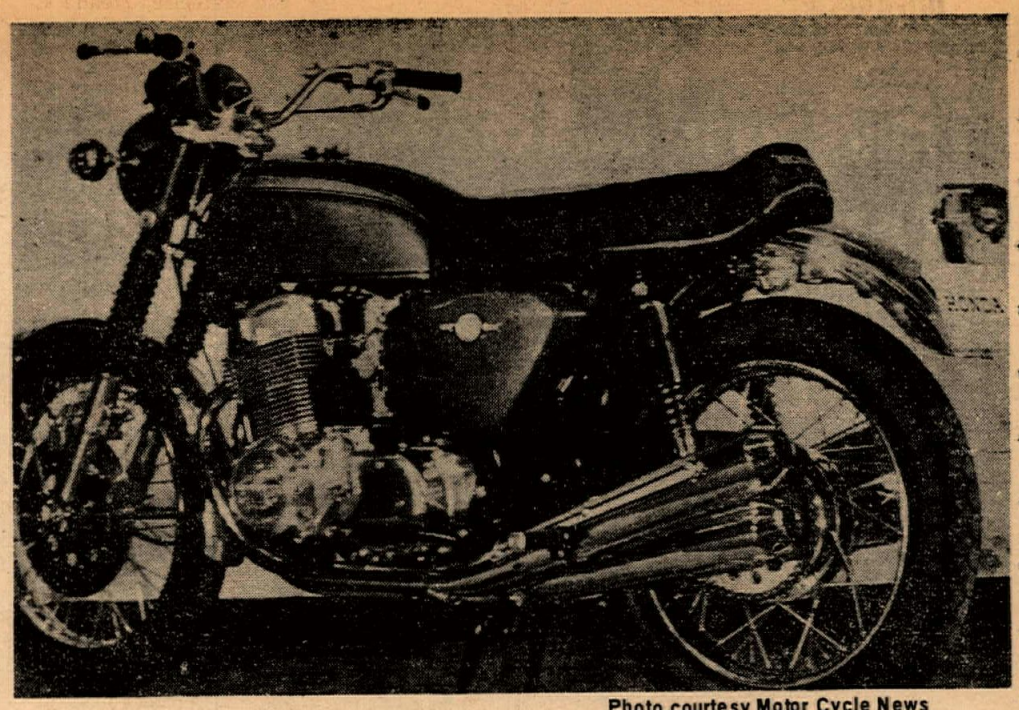
Orange Co. International

ORANGE COUNTY, Cal. – A top field of national and International motorcycle road racing stars will be in contention on November 24 at Orange County International Raceway. Among the home entries are Art Baumann, with factory Yamaha rides in both the 250 and 350 classes; Ron Grant, contesting the 250, 350 and 500 for Suzuki; Mike Lane, this year's west coast 250 champ; top TT and flat track rider Tom Rockwood, who has already shown promise this year as a road racer and San Diego's pride, Don Vesco, trying for the gold in all three big money classes.

Out of state invaders include Doug Libby from Detroit and the Texas Terror, Rusty Bradley, who sent Art Baumann back to California earlier this year remarking about those Texas "scratchers". Bradley will be shooting for a win in the 1000cc (open) class on a big 40" Triumph.

The race has an added International flavor with the entry of Mike Duff, two times runner-up in the world 250 Championships, and he will be on factory Yamahas in the 250 and 350 classes, as well as riding a Triumph-Metisse in the "Open".

Dave Scott, former champion of Scotland will ride in the 250, and several top British short circuit stars such as Tony Godfrey, Rod Gould, Terry Grotefeld, Dave Simmonds and Brian Kemp have all requested entries.



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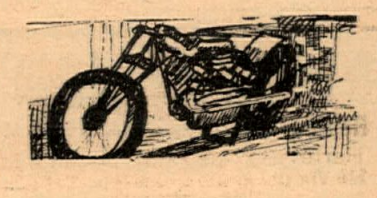

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Chris will be meeting all kinds of interesting people in his travels around the country on his motorcycles — pretty girls, racers, more pretty girls, outlaws, girls and lots of personalities that you will recognize. Stay turned on to this newspaper and follow the further adventures of "The Roamer."

RATTLE-SNAKE ENDURO

By Tom Dilling

KLAMATH, Cal. – The Annual Rattlesnake Enduro was a success, in spite of the small number of entries. The host club, Redwood Scramblers of Crescent City, started the 130-mile run near the town of Klamath on the river of the same name.

The bright, sunny morning saw 84 riders take off on the first leg, 80 miles of beautiful redwood country. The course ran over logging roads, skid trails and access roads that ranged from dry to extremely muddy and smooth to extremely rocky.

During this part of the run the usual number of drop-outs dropped out, mostly due to the usual reasons – poor preparation, poor equipment and losing their extra gas. No one could get lost. The course was too well marked.

I was told that over 1800 man-hours went into laying out and marking the run.

The only hospital case of the day turned out to be Richard Miller of Eureka, our local motorcycle peddler, who skinned an arm. He and his Bultaco found out that speed and wet plank bridges don't mis.

After the first leg and a one-hour layover, the survivors were sent out to attack the rest of the course, about 50 more miles. After an easy ride of five miles or so we were sent off the road for a run at Red Mountain, at the top of which is a TV relay station.

This little rock garden took the greatest toll of any one area as flat tires, broken cases, and lack of oxygen sent entrants back down the mountain in droves. The rest of the run was northerly to the South Fork of the Smith River, followed by the return trip to the staging area via Rattlesnake Ridge.

The second leg starred Eurekan Dave Reynolds. His Triumph had a head-on with a pick-up full of deer hunters, and left the road. Dave survived in good shape but his machine called it a day with broken cases.

Sweepstakes winner turned out to be Byrel Zollo of Arcata, our local AMA referee and motorcycle peddler.

All in all, a damn good ride...but never did see the rattlesnake.

(Results on page 16)

Train Now For Calif. M/C License Test

After Nov. 12, California motorcycle enthusiasts who apply for a new or renewed drivers license will also have to pass a special motorcycle examination.

This new test, a requirement of the recently passed Assembly Bill 289, is designed to examine a cyclist's ability to operate his machine on the public highways.

Motor Vehicle Department throughout California are now preparing to give these tests so that the regular Class 3 drivers licenses can be especially endorsed to allow the holder to operate a two-wheeled vehicle.

After Jan. 1 the Departments will also be issuing an entirely new class of license, a Class 4, which is designed for those people who wish to be licensed for motorcycles only.

A training program, emphasizing the basic skills which the examiners will be looking for, as well as defensive driving techniques and basic maintenance for motorcycles will be offered beginning Nov. 9 at the West Valley Occupational Training Center in Woodland Hills.

This six-week training program which meets weekly from 8 to 12 o'clock on Saturday mornings is the third in a series of four such programs. The training sessions will include lectures, films, and behind-the-handlebars training on motorcycles provided by the Center.

The Los Angeles Police Department, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Automobile Club of Southern California, the California Motorcycle Association and a variety of other educators, law enforcement officers and traffic experts have worked together to develop this course.

The class will be limited to 32 enrollees and will be taught by Jack Burgan, L.A. City School Driver Training Instructor and veteran motorcyclists, and Dale Martin, also an experienced motorcyclist who teaches cycle repair at the Center.

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To establish AMA Professional Moto-Cross.
LICENSING: Moto-Cross only, $20 fee. Issued to:
1. In organized districts – Expert grade sportsman Scramblers, Desert Riders, or "A" Enduro Riders.
2. In unorganized districts – Sportsman Scramblers with a minimum of 2 years experience, "A" Enduro Riders, or experienced riders recommended by District AMA Officials.
3. Class C Amateur and Expert Licenses valid without additional Moto-Cross fee.
CLASSES: Riders, one Professional class only. Riders may enter both equipment classes.
EQUIPMENT: 0-250cc and 300cc–Open. Equipment need not be approved. Rider must use only motorcycle originally entered for each class.
COURSE: Minimum 1/2 miles, Maximum 1-1/2 mile length. Completely natural terrain except for removal or alteration of potentially dangerous obstacles. Minimum width of 20 feet, recommended width of 30 feet. Starting area recommended to be off course but must be a minimum width of 80 feet for a distance of 75 yards. Fencing must completely separate spectators from access to the course. Recommend use of snow fence for rider safety.
PROGRAM: Must be run rain or shine. Program to consist of a minimum of 2 heats, or maximum of 3 heats for each class (0-250cc plus 300cc – Open). Minimum time per heat: Two-heat program – 30 minutes per heat. Three-heat program – 20 minutes per heat. In the event of more entries being received for a class than can be safely accommondated on the course, the following program may be substituted for that class:
1. Entries are divided equally into two 20-minute, point-paying heats.
2. Half of the top placing riders, less five, in each of the two 20 minute point paying heats qualify for the final 30 minute heat.
3. Non-qualifiers rider an extra 10-minute, non-point paying heat with the top 10 riders qualifying for the final 30-minute heat.
4. Overall final placings determined by points earned in initial two heats and in final heat.

Finish of any heat occurs when the leading rider completes the lap he is on after the time limit has expired.

The starter is to signal riders when 5 minutes remain in the event by displaying a five-minute sign or flag as the leader passes until the leader completes the next lap.

The program may include a separately sanctioned sportsman program as filler for the 0-250cc and/or 300cc - Open classes; open to non-professional sportsman riders.
SCORING: Use standard AMA Sportsman Moto-Cross scoring system with ties to be broken in favor of the rider who places best in the last heat.
PRIZES: Minimum purse of $600 split equally between 0-250cc and 300cc-Open classes. Amounts to be paid based only on overall final placings in the following percentages: 1st-30%, 2nd-16%, 3rd-14%, 4th-12%, 5th-10%, 6th-8%, 7th-6%, 8th-4%.
NATIONAL POINT SYSTEM: To be established on same basis as purse percentage breakdown above: 1st-30 points, 2nd-16 points, etc.
sanction fee: $25.00 per meet.
FIRST AID: Minimum of 2 ambulances with qualified, trained first aid personnel in attendance; The equipment is to include portable emergency first aid facilities to reach accidents on foot as needed.

Gary Nixon, a mighty happy man after winning his 2nd Grand National Motorcycle Championship, receives a check from Ron Roach of Bell Helmets. Mrs. Nixon is on the left.

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